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ENGLISH GRAMMAR FAMIIAAR LECTURES, ACCOMPAMED BY I^>Z.^C *^- A GOMPIINDIUIW; EMBRACI.G \ NEW SYSTEMATICK ORDER OF PARSIAG, A SEW SYSTEM OF PUNCTOATION, EXERCISES IN FALSE SYNTAX AND A KEY TO THE XIXERCZSES: DESIGNED ?0R THE USE OF SCHOOLS AND PRIVATE LEARNER? BY SAMUEL KIRKHAM SIXTH EDITION, ENLARGED AND MUCH IMPKOVEP. CIXrCXSTH'ATZ: tUBLISFTEft BY N t G GUILFORD, \T THEIR BOOK FR NK-L,IN*S HEAD, 14, LOWER MARKET STEU^ 'jj^ ' ' - -A^j: " M. 0. F-IRJirSIfORTH. JR. PRINTERS. 1828, I^+A^I^?'t^t

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1 fifi^^'v^^^^ KECOMiyCENBATIONS. The following arc some of the numerous testimonials received by ih'c \(^iuthor\) for which he tenders his i\(^rattful\) acknowledgments to those literary gentlemen to whose liberality and politeness he is indebted fir the same. From his Excellency, DE WITT CLINTON, Governour of New-York. I have looked into tho "Compendium of English Grammar, by t'amiiel Kirkhnni," and coiitiidor it a work descrymg of encouragemeiU, and well eaiiiilated to facilitate the aciiuisition of this useful science. DE WITT CLINTON, Albany, Sept. '25, W-2i, From the Rev. MARTIN RUTER.D. D., Author of a "Hebrew Grammar." Mr. Kirkham, Ilaviii? examined witli t^ome attenlion your "Gntmmar in familijir Lectures;" I feel a pleasure in recomn'cndi'i^ it for the use of our schools and acade- mies. In the definitions, rules, and oider of arrangement, it possesses superior merit, and can not fail to lessen the labour of teachers and pupils. I hope it.will be examined by instructers of youth, particularly in the western country, and that it will leccive ex- tensive patronage. MARTIN RUTER. Cincinnati, August 5,1826. We fully concur in the feenilments above advanced by Dr. Rutcr, in relation to Mr. Kirkham's Grammar. JOHN WINRIGHT, i JOHN L. TALBERT, fAcademic.il T. HAMMOND, (lustructeid. JAMCS CHUTE,) The following is from the pen of a gentleman of the Bar, formerly a dintinguislicd, Cludsical teacher. Extract from the "National Crisis." As a friend to literature, and especially to genuine merit, it is with peculiar pleasure i allude to a notice in a late paper of this city, in which Mr. S. Kirkham prop>peB to deliver a course of Lectures on English Grammar. To such as fc^l interested in ac (uiring a general and practical knowledge of this useful science, an opportunity is now preBented which ought not to be neglected. Having myself witnessed, in several inetaii-, ce, within the last ten months, the practical results of Mr. Kirkham'e plan, I am ena- *hled to give a decided opinion of its merits. The extensive knowledge acquired in one course by his class in Pittsburgh, and the grej'.t proficiency evinced by his classes els;>- where, are a demonstration of the utility and superiority of his method of teaching, and a higher encomium on him than I am able to bestow. The principles on which Mr. Kirkhams "New system of Grammar" is predicated, are judiciously compiled, and hali>ily and briefly expressed; but the groat merit of his work consists in the lucid illustrations accompanying the principles, and the simple and gradual manner in which it conducts ihe learner along from step to step through ihc fluccossive stages of the science. The explanations blended with the theory, are no dressed to the understanding of the pupil in a manner so familiar, that they can not fail to excite in him a deep interest; and whatever system is calculated to bring into requi- sition lhe mental powers, must, I conceive, be productive of good results. In my hum- hie opinion, the sy.'\teni of teaching introduced into this work, will enable a diligent pu- pil to acquire, without any other aid, a practical knowledge of grammar, in less thaji one-fourth part of



the time usually devoted. My views of Mr, Kirkham's system are thus publicly given, with the gi eater plcasu:;- on account of the literary empiricisms which have been so extensively practised in many parts of the western countrj". GRAMMATICCJS. Cincinnati, April 26, 1S3G. Trom Mr. JUNGMANN, Principal of the Frederick Lutheran Academy. Having carefully examined Mr. 9. Kirkham's new system of "Fnglish Grammar in j'umiliiir Lectures," I um satisfied thut the pfe-eminent advantages it po;?ses8fi over our common systems, will soon convince the public that it is not one of those feeble efiorin of quackery, which have so often obtruded upon our notice. To say that the aulhoi has britiuglit into a small rornpuss, a greater number of important principlcb, disencum- bered of all unnecessary matter, than is comprised in almost any other elementary trea- tise on jjTaminar, v& not doing justice to the merits of his work. Its deckled BuptjriarftV

1 RECOMMENDATIONS, over all other systemfl, consists in adapting the subject matter t the capacity oC iJie young learner, and the happy mode adopted of communicating it to hie mind in a man-ner so clear and simple, that lie can easily oomprehend the nature and the appUcation of every principle that comes before him. By teaching the young beginner to parse every part of speech systematically, as soon fts it (s explained to him, and by exercising him in false syntax, tlie theory of the science becomes happily blendod with the practice; and thus his attention ia immediately ar- rested, and hie labours are rendered pleasing and advantageous. In short, all the intri-cacies of this ecienee arc elucidated so clearly, I am contident, that even a private learner, of common docility, can, by perusing this system attentively, acquire a belter practical hnowledge of this important branch of literature in three months\(^\) than is ordinarily ob Gained iii one year. If this work be generally adopted in schools, it will undoubtedly prove to be of great utility in the instruction of youth. JOHN E. JUNGMANN. Frederick, Sept. 17,1823. Extract from a communication by the Rev. E. SLACK, A. M., recently President of the Cincinnati College. Mr. S. Kirkham, Agreeably to your wish, I have examined, in some meanure, the Englieh Grammar which you handed me the other day, I was gratified with the simple and perspicuous method of elucidation which you have adopted in that manual. Though I feel disposed to o\ect, in some small degree, to Mr. Murray's principles, yet I consider his work the best of the kind we have; and yours, for elementary instruction, a fair hnprovement upon big. With sentiments of reej)ect, Cincinnati, April 23,182G. ELIJAH SLACK- Extract from MORGAN NEVILLE, Esq., A. M. I have had much gratification in looking over the "English Grammar" of Mr. Sam- uel Kirkham; and 1 think it much better calculated to impart the elementary pnciplee of tliis science, than any English school book I am acquainted with. I am pleased to lind it becoming the popular book in many parts of Pennsylvania. Should Mr. Kirkham undertake a course of Lectures on Grammar in this city, I feal 'onfident that the results will be beneficial to those who attend them. The rational view he takes of the subject, the plain and unassuming manner which distinguislifes his xplanations and 11 lustrations, are admirably calculated to give a rapid insight into this -ience, so ditficult as regards the English language. MORGAN NEVILLE. Cincinnati, April 29th, 1826. From the Rev. SAMUEL JOHNSTON,



A. M. Cincinnati, April 20th, 1826. Having, at the request of Mr. S. Kirkham, looked through his " English Grammar iu familiar lectures," I am elearly of the opinion, that it possesses advantages v r any other systevi with which I am acquainted. It is admirably calculated to facilitate the young learner in this useful and important branah of literature; and I can not but hope ^iiat it may be extensively circulated, and receive the merited patronage of those en-rubted wiUi the etkication of the youth of our country. S. JOHNSTON. From the Rev. DAVID ROOT, A. M. Cincinnati, April 24, 1826. rVnm a cursory examination of Mr. Kirkham's Grammar, I am satisfied that it is a jvork deserving of enougragement. The system is simple and perspicuous, and, in my Ttnpreheni' ion, better calculated for the use of schools and academit*, than any othep .>-ork of tile kind extant. DAVID ROOT. From the Rcv. C. B. M'KEE, A. M., late Prof. of Languages in the Cincinnati Colleg?. Cincimmti, April 24,1826. Mr. Kirkham, Sir, Agreeably lo your request, I have perused your "English Gram-;iiar in familiar Lectures," and am decidedly of opinion that yours, when comilared wrth Uie present popular systems of grammar, is by far the bet calculated to facilitate the progress of the student in acquiring a grammatical knowledge of tlie English lan- iTua^e; and hesiijite n&t to recommend its introduction (as an elementary book) into o*ir stthools and academies. C. B. M'KEE. From Mr. BLOOD, Principal of tlie Chambersburgh Academy. llr-IJ-rkhara, It is now almost twenty years since I became a teacherof youth, and, (iuring this period, 1 have not only consillted all, but have used many, of the different jvstems of English grammar that have fallen in my way; and. Sir, I do asf^ure you. ^ without tfie least wish to fialter, that yourB fiti eiceeds any I have yet seea.

RECOMMENDATIONS. Your iirraniieraont and systemalick order of parsing are most excellent; andeliperi- rn=e h.i convinced mo, (having used it, and it only, for the last twelve or thirteen m.mlh?,Uhat a scholar wUllearn more of the nature and principles oi our language in o- flirirt-r from your system, than in a i hoU year Irom any oth,-r I had I'f^v'iu.ly used. Ido therefore most checrfuUv and earnestly rcccmniend it totlie pul.lick nt liirge, and especially to those, who, anxious to acpiire a l.nowledge of our language, arc des- titute of the advantages of an inslnrcter. Yours, very ":^P""")" ,, . ^. ,, Chambersburgh Academy, Feb. 12th, 1H5. SAMUEL F.LOOD. From Dr. liRUCE, Principal of the Western University of ra., and Dr. BLACK, Tro-fcssor of Languages in the same institution. Wo have been ree,ue5ted to express our opinion of on "Erigiish Grammar in Faimiiar Lectures by S. Kirkbam." We have given it a cursory examination, and hove no hesi-tation to recommend it as an excellent, clementary treatise. . Indeen, for plainness, con-ciseuess, and perspicuity, we tb;r.k it liuperior to those Sfn^aliy <""';" '".^S' schools. liOIill.lv | lilvUl-r', !' iJ- ritt.burgli, March 18, Ki5. JOHN BLACK, D. D. 1 cheerfully concur in the above recommendation of Mr. Kj;S,7i.* 'i'o"i""p' jj,, From Dr. NEILL, President of Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa. Jlr Kirkham, I have examined your "Grammar in Familiar Lectures," and fcci n pleasure in saying that, iu my opinion, it is a valuable work. It wi 1 be found particu-\(^1\) larly useful to teachers and young learners. I hope the book will be extensively used in schools and families, and that your laudable labours in this important department of Enji;.-



bliterature, willbeamplyrewarded. Yours, respectfully, Carlisle, Nov. 16tb, 1824. WILLIAJI NEILL, D. D. Extract from a communication by the Rev. Dr. BROWN, Prcs't of JefTerson College Having perused, with some attention, Mr. S. Kirkhom's "Compendium, &c. of English Grnmmar," I imi satisfied thatit is a work deserving of encouragement, especially in common schools and academies. The system is simple ami perspicuous; and, tiv lequiring an immediate apjiiication of lhe rules and definitions as the pupil advances, ii, s well calculated to awaken the attelil iou, and to impart accurate a nd lasting impressionf. Canonsburgh, Pa., March 13, 1835. MATTHEW BROWN, D. D. from Dr. ALDEN, President of Allcghany College. IIa\ ii!g had'an opportunity to examine Mr. Kirkham's " English Grammar in Fami iar Lectures," 1 cheerfully say, for the cncnurngonient of tlie author in his laudable enterprise, and for the information of those with whom my opinion may be of any avail, that I think this system worthy of public patronage; because, its plan is good and wel, executed; because, it is better adapted, than Uie generality of such works, to thecapa city of tlio youngest learners: because, with competent instructions, the tyro wi.l be rapidly carried to a clear understanding of a abstruse but hnportant science; and bc-ause," it is hotter calculated, than any 1 rccoUeol to have seen, to aid all such teachers of schools, as are imperfectly acquainted with English Grammar, ., .^,. ^ _ Meodvillc, M, June, ISiM. TIMOTHY ALDEN, D. D. From .\cademicBl Listrncters in O.e city of riltsbnrgh. Mr. Kirkham, Sir, I have examined your Lectures on English Grammar with that icweo of minuteness wliicli enables me to yield my unqualilied approbation of the work j.i\ grammatical system. The engaging manner in which you have explained the ele meats of grammar, and accommodated them to the capacities of >outh, is an ample il lustration of ilie utility of yc ir plan. In addition to this, the critical attention you have paid to an analylical devtlopement of grammatical principles, while it is calculated to (neourage the perseverance of young students in the march of improvement, is sufE- dient also, to eni iloy the researches of the literary connoisseur. I trust that your valua He compilation will be speedily introduced into schools and nciidcmics. I shall cer-tainly introduce it into mine. With respect, yours, o TTti i m Pittsburgh, March 2-i, 1825. ^ R- SMITH, A. M. With the above recommendation I also heartily concur, and shall endeavour to intro duce Mr. Kirkham's Grammar into my school, under a thorough 'i''^''y^^^\^A riority over any now in use. V. B. M G/\HA. My opinion_or Hie rncrit of Mr. Kirkham's Grammar, peifectly ',7"-^||,'j^pj^,(,*"' expressed by Mr. Smith. J. Jl. P 1* m

VI ilfiCOMMENDATIONS. From il CO nm Jiltcalion addressri to S. Kirkham by tlic Rev. J. STOCKTON. Dear Sir, I am much pleased with both tlie plan and cjccution of your "1- rgli.h Grammar in Familiar Lectures." In giving a sij^tt'tinitick mode of parsing, eultulated pitke to exercise the vnderstandin^ and memory ol" the imvil, and also tree tlie ttaclier fre.ii the rfrMt/o-erjf of continued interrogation, you have made your grammar whateveiy tlementary ecTiool book ought to be plain, sysUwatick, and' easy to be understood. This, with the coiuous delinitions in every part of the work, and other inipruveinents, so judiciously introduced, gives it a decided superiority over the imperfect grammar of iMurray, now so gen.'rally u<ed. JOSEPH STOCKTO.N, -i. M. Alieghaiiy-town, March 18, 1825.



TestimoniiiU of the most fidttering character, have also been re-ceived from the following liturari gentlemen, most of whom are classical, academical, or common school instrticters, i\ho have introduced the work into their respective institutions.* Those marked with a T. are teachers. Cincili nali. Zanrs- (ville, ttov. J.I!-.Wilin, D. D. J. Locke, M.D., T. B. Storcr, Esg. Rev. Mr. Calhertson, Rev. G.C. Sedgwick, T, W.C. & M. Colerick, T II. M'Cormick, T. C. VV. Adams, T. David Berry, T. .' L. Hearne, T. J.Lyons, T. Wm. M'Kay, T.) Panic) Oliver, T.5 J. Lockwood, T., Lancaster. Isaacs. Britton, T., Urhana. Rev. S. .. Bradstreet, iL Rice, T. O. Matthew, T. D. Liniun, Esq., Rmimna Bavid L. Coe, T., Warren, S. W. Recder, T., Xenia. A., Liiccock, T., Wuoster, M. C. Cunniniham, T. "B.iMichener, T. \ Canton A. Miinks, T. S. M'Corn.ick, T. .lohnM'Bean, T. Lrastus Dewey, T., PHeton. Wm. M'Clure, T., Somerset Rev. E. Breton, > Wm. H. Fitch, 5 Louis^ ville. | Chillicolhe. Maiietia. C/eavc- land. Cadis. Youngsloivn IN KENTrCKY. Rev. J. N. BlacklTurn.T." Rev. John Thomson, T. Wm. L, Mitchell, T. Rev. C. Eanks, A.M., T. Brooke Hill, T. M. Butler, T. Charles P. M'Crahan, Robert W. Ingram, T., ^lugusta. Anthony Frame, T., Xeucastlc. B, H. M'Cown, T., Bardslown. John B. Hays, T., Glasgow. Beniah Robinson, T., Elkton. Wm. Rennells, T., Springfield. Thomas Cheek, T., Hoiclingreen, J. Gayle, T., Russehille. Wm. Dickinson, T., Lexington. IK INDIANA. Beaumont Parks, T. 1 Daniel Chute, T. V Madiscn. Howel Crawford,) John J. Morrison, Salem., James Perry, T., Liberty. Rev. John Todd, Charlestou-n. IN THE DIST. COLUMBIA. Rev.J.Sternes, A.B., T.) ^,-, John M'Lcod, T. (""fl R. Kirkwood, T. (>, S. Newton, r.) ^" Doct. E. O. Fifield, T.) .ilexan- T. Waugh, 3'., ^ dria. * Many rccomrfiendations of this work are not, at present, in the popscssion of the tHthor; which is bis apology for omilling the names of tliose by whom tliey were Wr -'owed. \

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be deemed obtmsivo. The improvements of tlie third lition, were con mJerable and important. They consisted in the addition of more than fifty pages of useful matter, containing, among other things, a new sjstem of Punctuation, many valuable principles not embraced in any former editions, and an amplification of every part of the subject, in the ffth e-Jition, twelve pages more have been added. These contain an enlargement of Punctuation, the Figtues of Speech, and other useful addi.. tions. But notwithstanding all the changes which the work has uiidergope, tlM general arrangement of tjio early editions has been preserved; so that no great inconvenience can arise, from the using of the second, third, fourth and fifth editions in the same clas? CinciKKatig Jane 12,1S37. THE AUTHOR,

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:iF:^iiriL@ie There appears to te something assuming in the very act of publishing a new worit; for who would presume to thrust a new volume into publick notice, unless he conceived it to be, in some respects, superior to every work of the kind which had preceded it? In presenting to the publick this system of English Grammar, which professes to secure uncommon advantages to the learner, the author is aware that the motives by which he is ac- tuated, will naturally be demanded of him; but, at the same time, he is apprehensive that no explanation or apology, on his part, can shield him from the imputation of arrogance; especially by those disciples of dulness who seem, as it were, wedded to the doctrines and opin- ions of their predecessors. If, however, it prove successful in facilitating the progress of youth in the march of mental improvement, time will show that no apology is necessary. When we bring into consideration the many gram- matical productions of those learned philologists who have laboured so long, and so successfully, in establishing the principles of our language; and, more especially, when we view the labours of some of our modern com- pilers, who have displayed so much ingenuity and acute- ness in arranging those principles



in such a manner as to form a correct and an easy medium of mental conference; periiips it may be considered weakness or presumpiion in him who now venters upon a subject which has emjiloyed so many able pens. The author is actuated, however, by the conviction, that most of his predecessors are very deficient, at least in manner, if not in mntler; and this conviction, he believes, will be corroborated by publick opinion. Many valuabl" improvements have been made by some of our lafe "writers, who have en- deavoured to simplify and render this subject intelligl- (m if :>" \

PREFACE. ble to the j'oung learner, it is true; but they have all overlooked one veri important point, namely, a systenia- tick order of parsing. By some this system will, no doubt, be discarded on account of its simplicity; whilst to others its simplicity will prove its principal recommendation. Its design is an humble one. It proffers no great advantages to the recondite grammarian; it professes not to instruct the literary connoisseur: it presents no superior graces of style to charm, no daring flights to astonish, no deep re-seardies to gratify him; but, in the humblest simplicity of diction, it attempts to accelerate the march of the ju-venile mind in its advances in the path of science, by dispersing those clouds that so often bewilder it, and re-moving tliosQ obstacles that generally retard its prog- ress. In this way it renders interesting and delightful, a study which has hitherto been considered tedious, dry, a;id irksome. By adopting a correct and an easy method, in which pleasure is blended with the labours of the learner, it is calculated to excite in him a spirit of enterprise, which shall call forth every latent energy of his mind into vigorous and useful exercise; and thus enable him soon to become thoroughly acquainted with the na- ture of the principles, and with their practical utility and application. Content to be useful, instead of being brilliant, the wri-ter of these pages has endeavoured to shu.i the path of (hose whose aim appears to liave been to dazzle, rather than to instruct; and believing the publick good to be a consideration more than tantamount to self-gratification, lie lias, in some instances, sacrificed his own opinion to publick prejudice. As he has aimed not so much at origi- nality as utility, he has adopted the thoughts of others whenever he could not, in his opinion, furnish better and brighter of his own. Aware that there is, in the publick mind, a strong predilection in favour of the docfrines con-tained in Mr. Murray's grammar, he has thought proper, not only from motives of policy, but also from choice, to selec! his pri.iciples chiefly from that work: and, more- over, to adopt, as far as consistent with his own view?,

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the lansjuawf of that eminent pliilologist. In no instance has he varied from him, unless he conceived that, in so doing, some advantage would be gained. He ho ;es, therefore,to escape the censure so frequently and so justly awarded to those unfortunate innovators who have most unceremoniously altered, mutilated, and tortured the texi, merely to gratify an itching propensity to figure in the world as authors, :ir,d gain an ephemeral popularity, by arrogating to themselves the praises due



to another. The author does not feel disposed, liovvevcr, to dis-claim all pretensions to originality; for, although his principles are chiefly selected, (and who would presume to make new ones?) the manner of arranging, illustrating, and simplifying them, is principally his own. He has en- deavoured to condense all the most important subject matter of the whole science, and present it in a compass so small, as to enable the learner to become familiar with it in a short time. But (he improvements of the work, (if it possesses any,) consist mostly in the plan, or method adopted of communicating a knowledge of the science to the mindof the learner. The plan is designed to em- brace all the real improvements of our modern authors combined. Whether this design is successfully or unsuccessfully executed, is left for the publick to decide. The general adoption of this work into schools wherever it has become known, and the ready sale of your feen thousand copies, are favorable omens. That it is deficient, none can be more sensible than the autlior. Its deficiencies arise from two sources, want of skill in the writer, and the imperfections of the language. A writer on English grammar, finds himself encountered by the anomalies and imperfections of the language. To avoid all errours, is therefore impossible. But principles must not be re-jected because they admit of exceptions. He who is well acquainted with the genius of our language, can duly appreciate the truth of these remarks. Bearing constantly in mind his main object, the author has left it for those who are more deeply skilled than himself in the science of our language, to new model its principles. These he has taken up in that form which: '^

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r- su PREFACE. he knew to be popular, and has contented himself by en- deavouring to adapt them to the understanding of ilie young learner; believing, at the same time, that had he attempted more, he would have accomplished less. On a first view of this subject, it appears as if, by following the analogy of our language, some parts of it might be ren- dered a little more simple. By rejecting, for instance, the names of the four compound tenses of the verb, the objective case of the noun, and even some whole classes of words which are commonly considered as distinct parts of speech, some writers have vainly supposed that great good might be effected. They appear, however, to have overlooked this important fact, that, although they may reject the names of these tenses and cases, they can not discard the expressions that compose them; and, to say nothing of the inaccuracy of such a course, as all these various forms of expression must be learned and applied to practice by the student, it is plain, that nothing can be gained by a simplification that would give only tv>o names to six distinct modes of expression. Had the author extended his plan, as was desirable, t a still greater degree of simplicity, it would necessarily have rendered it more copious; a course altogether in- compatible with the designed brevityof his work. Teach- ers accustomed to the use of Mr. Murray's large volume of exercises, may deem those arranged in this treatise not sufficiently extensive; but it is believed, nevertheless, that for all ordinary, practical purposes, they will be found



sufficiently numerous and varied. No one ought to look for perfection in a performance of this kind; and he who does not know, that all the advantages of a large octavo, can not possibly be comprised in a condensed epi- tome, has not yet learned the first principles of criticism. * * Should parents object to the Compendium, fearing it would be soon destroyed by their children, they are informed, that the pupil will not have occasion to use it one tenth part as much as he will the book which it accompaniea: and besides, if it be destroyed, be will find all the definitions and rules which it contains, recapitu- lated in the series of Lectures.

r * t HIXTTS TO TEACHERS & FRXVA.TE XIEARXTERS. As this work proposes a new mode of parsing, and pursues an ar- vani; cment essentially different from that generally adopted, it may not bo deemed improper for the author to give some directions to those who may be disposed to use it. Doubtless, those who take only a slight view of the order of parsing, will not consider it new, but a mode long since adopted. Some writers have attempted plans somewhat similar; but in no instance have they reduced them to a regular system. The methods ivhich they have suggested, generally require the teacher to interrogate the pupil as he pro- ceeds; or else he is permitted to parse without giving any expla- nations at all. The systematick order laid down in this work, if pursued by the pupil, compels him to apply every definition and every rule that ai)pertaiBs to each word he parses, without having a question put to him by the teacher; and, in so doing, he explains every word fully as he goes along. This course enables the learner to proceed independently; and proves, at the same time, a great relief to the iustructer. The convenience and advantage of this course, are far greater than can be realized by one who is unac- quainted with it. The author is, therefore, anxious to have the absurd practice, wherever it has been established, of causing learn- ers to commit and recite definitions and rules without any simulta- neous application of them to practical examples, immediately abolished. This system obviates tlie necessity of pursuing such a stupid course of drudgery; for the young beginner who pursues it, will have, in a few weeks, all the most important definitions and rules perfectly committed, simply by applying them in parsing. If this plan be once adopted, it is confidently believed, that every teacher who is desirous to consult, either his own convenience, or the advantage of his pupils, will readily pursue it in preference to any former method. This belief is predicated on the advantas^'S which the author himself has experienced from it in the course of several years' instruction. By pursuing this system, he can, with less labour, advance a pupil farther in a practical knowledge of this abstruse science, in tico months, than he could in one year when he taught in the "old way." It is presumed that no instructer who once gives this system a (air and an effectnal trial, will doubt the truth of this assertion. Perhaps some may, on a first view of the work, disapprove df the transposition of many parts; but whoever examines it attentively, will find that, although the author has not followed the common "artificial and unnatural arrangement adopted by most of his pre-decessors," yet he has endeavoured to pursue a more judicious one, namely, " the order of the understanding." The learner sliould commence, no< by



committing and rehearing, but by reading attentively the first two lectures several times over. He ought then to parse according to the systematick, order, the exam- ples given for tliat purpose; in doing which, as previously stated, he has an opportunity of committing all the definitions and rules' Wanjing to those parts of speech included in the examples. B "I n .1^1;

XIV HINTS TO TEACHERS. The Compendium, as it presents to the eye of the learner a con-densed but comprehensive view of the whole science, may he pro- perly consictered an "Ocular Analysis of the English language." By referring to it, the young student is enabled to apply all his de-finitions and rules from the very commencement of his parsing. To some this mode of procedure may seem rather tedious; but it must appear obvious to every person of discernment, that a))upil will learn more by parsing live words critically, and explaining them fully, than he would by parsing/yY^f words superficially, and without understanding their various proptrtxs. The teacher who pursues this plan, is not under the necessity of hearing his popils recite a single lesson of definitions committed to memory; for he has a fair opportunity of discovering their knowledge of these as they parse. All other directions necessary for the private learner, as well as for the learner in school, will be given in the succeeding pages of the work. Should these feeble'efforts prove a saving of much time and expense to those young persons viho may feel dis-posed to pursue this science with avidity, by enabling them easily to acquire a critical knowledge of a branch of education so important and desirable, the author's fondest anticipations will be fully realized; but should his work fall into the hands of any who are expecting, by the acquisition to become grammarians, and yet ha \e not sufRcient perseverance to make themselves acquainted with its contents, it is hoped, that the blame for their non-improvement,, will not be thrown upon liim. lie that tlic golilen treasures of this art would fmd, Must store its elementul beauties in his mind. S. KIRKHAM. Fredericktoicn, Md., August 22, 1823. To those intelligent and enterprising gentlemen who may feel dis-posed to lecture on this plan, the author takes the liberty of sug-gesting a few hints by way of encouragement. Any judicious grammatical instructor will, if he take the trou- ble to ipake himself familiar with the contents of the following pa^es, find it perfectly easy to pursue this system. One remark onfy, to the lecturer, is sufficient. Instead of causing his pni)ils to acquire a knowledge of the nature and use of the principdes by intense application, let him communicate it verbally; that is, let him first take up one part of speech, and, in an oral lecture, unfold and explain all its properties, not only by adopting the illustra- tions given in the book, but also by giving others that may occur to bis mind as he proceeds. After a part of S|;eech has been thus elu-cidated, the class should be c|uesUoned on it, and then tautht to parse it, and correct errours in composition under the rules that apply to it. In the same manner he may proceed with the other iMsrts'of speech, observing, however, to recapitulate occasumally, until the learners shall have become thoroughly acquaint! d with whatever principles may have been presented. 11 this plan he iailh-fully pursued, rapid progress, on the part



of the learner, will be the inevitable result; and that teacher who pursues it, ran not fail ot acquiring distiliction and an enviable pojiularity iv ';='/"/';"" " ' S. KIRKHAM.

f FMIILIAR LECTURES ON ^i^i^^i^gijc i^i^Amw,A^i LECTURE I. DXVXSIOKS OF GRAMMAR. ORTHOGRAFHV. t- I TO THE YOU.XO LEARJ^ER, You are now about to enter upon one of the most useful, and when rightly pursued, one of the most interesting studies in the world. If, however, you, like many a misguided youth, are under the impresion that the study of grammar is dry and irksome, and a matter of little consequence, \ trust I shall succeed in removing all such absurd notions and prejudices from your mind; for I will endeavour to convince you, before 1 close these lectures, that it ts" not only an interesting and a pleasing study, but one of real and substantial utility; a study that tends to adorn and dignify human nature, and meliorate the condition of man in society. Should you ever pursue the flowery paths of science, you will see the truth of these remarks demonstrated in a thousand instances; and find that a knowledge of grammar is indispensably requisite; for it opens the door to every rlepartment of learning. And if you should not aspire at eminence in a scientitick course, you may rest as- sured, thit this is a branch of education essentially useful to ill, even to those who are destined to pass through the huni'ilest walks of life. You !iave undoubtedly heard some persons assert, that they could speak and write correctly, or, at least, so as to be understood, without a kn jwledgp of grammar. But if you ire in the habit of noticing those scenes that daily transpire '.ii ^,i/'

r "-f 16 ail EiVGLISH LA JiGt'AGE. around you, probably you have many hundred times wit- nessed liic reverse of this assertion, for it is not always true. From a want of grammatical knowledge, many often express their ideas in a manner so improper and obscure, as to render it impossible for any one tovvidersland them; their langufige amounting not only to bad sense, but nonsense. In other instances several different meanings may be affixed to the words they employ; and what is still worse, is, that not unfrequently their sentences are so constructed, as to convey a meaning quite the reverse of that which they intended. Nothing can be more worthy of your attention, then, than the acquisition of grammatical knowledge. Notwithstanding the utility of this science, it prasents many intricacies which are somewhat difficult forlhe juve- Oile mind fully to comprehend. shall therel"ore, as I pro- ceed, make use of plain language, and endeavcwr to illus- trate every princij)le in a manner so clear and simple, that you will be able, if you txercise your mind, to understand its nature, and apply it to practice, as you go along; for I would rather give you one useful idea, than fifty high sound- ing words, the meaning of which you would probably be unable to comprehend. And I wish you particularly to remember, that 1 am all the while conversing with yourself, even you who are now reading these lines, and not with somebody else. If you do, I presume you will not pursue jisurd and ridiculous course of reading without think- ing; of merely pronouncing the -acords without attending to their meaning; but I trust you will reflect upon every sentence you read, and



endeavour, if possible, to compre- hend the sense: for, unless you bring into requisition j'our mental powers, you would do belter not to read at all. The English Language is principally derived from the Saxon, Danish, Celtic, and Gothic; but in the progressive stiiges of its refinement, it has been greatly enriched by accessions from the Greek, Latin, French, Spanish, Italian, and German languages. The number of words in our lan- guage, after deducting proper names, and words formed by the inflections of our verbs, nouns, and adjective? nit'V' be estimated at about forty thousand.

17 GRAMMAR. "Grammar is the science of language. Grammar may be divided into two species, universal and |)articular. :_ Universal Grammar explains the principles which are' common to all languages. .Particl'lab Grammar applies those general principles 'to a particular language, modif) ing them according to its genius, and the established practice of the best speakers and writers by whom it is used. Hence, The established practice of the best speakers and teriiers of any language, is the standard of grammatical accuracy in the use of that language. By the phrase established practice, is implied reputable, national, and present usage. The. best speakers and -^-rlters, or such as may be consid- ered good authority in the use of language, are those who are deservedly in high estimation; speakers, distinguished for theireiocution and otherliterary.attainments, and writers, eminent for correct taste, solid matter, and refined manner, i Language, in its most extensive sense, implies those signs by which men and brutes communicate to each other their thoughts, aU'ections, and desires. -Language maybe divided, 1. into natural and artilicial; 2. into spoken and written. "Natl-kal Language consists in the use of those natural signs whicli dilTerent animal employ in communicating their feelings one to another. The meaning of these si^ns all perfectly understand by the principles of their nature" This languige is common both to man and brute. The elements of natural language in man, may be reduced to three kinds; mdulations of the voice, gestures, and features. By means of these, two savages who have no common, artificial lan- guage, can communicate their thoughts in a manner quite intelligible; they can ask and refuse, affirm and deny, threa- ten and supplicate; they can traffick, enter into contracts and plight their faith. /The language of brutes consists in the use of those inarticulate sounds, by which they express their thoughts and affections. Thus, the chirping of a bird till I-NUing of a lamb, the neighing of a horee, and the ^ro-.viing, whining and barking of a dog, are the lano-uas-p Ihoie animals respectively. ~ B?

18 GHAMMAR. jVrtificial Language consists in the use of words, by means of which muniiind are enabled to communicate their thoughts to one another. In order to assist yoii in compre- hending what is meant by the term -mord, I will endeavour to illustrate the meaning of the term * Idea. The notices which we gain by sensation and per- ception, and which are treasured up in the mind to be the materials of thinking and knowledge, are denominated icleas. For example, when you place your hand upon a piece, of ice, a sensation is excited which we call coldness. That faculty which notices this sensation or change produced in the mind, is called perception; and the abstract notice itself,



or notion you form of this sensation, is denominated an idea. I'his being premised, wc will now proceed to the consideration of words. Words are articulate sounds, used by common consent, not as natural, but as artilicial signs of our ideas. Words have no meaning in themselves. They are merely the artificial representatives of tho=e ideas affixed to them by compact or agreement arn.)ng those who use them. In English, for instance, to a particular kind of metal we assign the name gold; not because there is, in that sound, any peculiar apt-ness which suggests the idea we wish to convey, but the ap-plication of that sound to the idea signified, is an act allo-!, 'ether arbitniry. ^V^cre there any natural connexion be- tween the sound and the thing signified, tlie'word gold would ",onvey the same idea to the people of otlfer countries as it does to ourselves. Bat such is not the fact. Other nations make use of dift'erent sounds to signify the same thing. Thus, 'aurun denotes the same idea in Latin, and or in French.. Hence it follows, that it is by custom dnly we learn to an- nex particular ideas to particular sound?. Spokh:.n' Languake or speech is made up of articulate sounds uttered by the human voice. The voice is formed by air which, after it passes through the glottis, (a small aperture in the upper part of the wind-pipe,) IS mo'dulated by the action o^ the throat, i alate, teeth, tongue, lips, and no.strils. Written Language. The elements of writtenians.a<';. consist of letters or characters, which, by common.cu, ent and general usage, are combined into words, and thus tj,;ifio the ocular representatives of the articulate sounds u.ff) by the voice.,

: | 19 ENGLISH GRAMMAR. English Grammar is the art of speaking and writing the English language with propriety. Grammar teaches us ho-^ to use nsords in a proper manner . 1 he most important use of that faculty called speech is to convey our thoughts to others. If, therefore, u-e have a store of words, and even know what they signify, they will be of no real use to us unless we can also apply (hem to practice, and make (hem answer the purposes (or which they were invented. Grammar, well understood, enables us to express our thoughts fully and clearly; and, conse- quently, in a manner which will defy the ingenuity of man to give our words any other meaning than that which we ourselves intend them to express. Grammar is divided into four parts; 1. Orthoguaphy, 3. Syntax, 2. Etymology, 4. Prosody. - Orthography teaches tlie nature and pow- ers of letters, and the just method of spellin-^ words. ^ Ortilocraphy means word-making, or spelling. It teach- es us he different kinds and soundsof letters, how to com- oine them into syllables, and syllables into words As this IS one of the tirst steps in the path of literature I presume you already understand (he nature and use of letters, and the just method of spelling words. If you do it is unnecessary for you to dwell long on this part of grammar which, tliough very important, is rather dry and uninterest- ing, for It has nothing to do with parsing or analyzing lan- guage. And, there ore, if you can spell correctly, you nr^^fon^U Orthography, and commence with Etymology and Syntax Orthography treats, 1st, of Letters, 2dly, of I/i/<tables, and 3dly, of Words. I. Letters. A letter is the first principle,t/ least part, of a word. 1 \(^v/^\) ^M i



-r 20 ORTIIOGRAPHV. m The English Alphabet contains twenty-six letters. They are divided into vowels and consonants. A vowel is a letter that can he perfectly sounded by itself. The vowels are a, e, i, o, ii, and sometimes m; and y. W and y are conso- nants when they begin a word or syllable; but in every other situation they are vowels. A consonant is a letter that can not be per- fectly sounded without the help of a vowel; as, i, d, f, L All letters except the vowels, are consonants. Consonants are divided into mutes and semi- vowels. The mutes can not be sounded at o//without the aid of a vowel. They are b, p, f, d, k, and c and g hard. Tiie seini-vowels have an imperfect sound of themselves. They are f, /, m, n, r, v, s, z, x, v^ahd c and g soft. " Four cf the semi-vowels, namely, I, ra, n, r, are called llqvids, because lhcy readily unite with other consonants, and flow, as it were, into their sounds. A dijjthong is the union of two vowels, pro- nounced by a single impulse of the voice; as, 01 in voice, ou in sound. A triptliong is the union of three vowels, pro- nounced in like manner; as,eaii in hcau,iew in view. A propirf dipthong lias loth the vowels sounded; as, ou in ounce. An improper dij^thong has only one of tlie vowels sounded; as, oa in b int. II. Syllables. A syllable is a distinct sonnd, uttered by a single impulse of the voi?e | f,^^ an, ant. ' "^'\" 'T . ' Spelling is the art of rightly dividing M?<ir<U

%. RULES rOR SPELLING. 21 into their Syllables, or of expressing a word by its proper letters. A word of one syllable, is termed a Mono-syllable; a word of two syllables, a Dissylla-ble; a word of three syllables, a Trissyllable; a M^ord of four or more syllables, a Polysylla- ble. III. Words. Words pre articulate sounds, used by common consent, as signs of our ideas. Words are of two sorts, primitive and de-rivative. A primitive word is that which can not be reduced to a simpler word in the language; as, ?nan, good. A derivative word is that which may be re-duced to a simpler word; as, nianj'ut, goodness. RULES FOR SPELLING. Rule 1. Monosyllables ending in y, I, or s, double the final or ending consonant when it is preceded by a single vowel; as, staff, mill, pass. Exceptions; of, if, as, is, has, was, yes, his, this, us, and thus. False Orthography for the learner to correct. Be tliou like thr galr, that moves the gras, to those who ask thy aid. The aged hrru comes forth on his staf; his grey hair glitters in the beam. Sha! mortal man be more just than God? And that is not the lark, whose notes do beat The vaulty heaven so high above our heads: I have more care to stay, than wil t go. Rule II. Monosyllables ending in any consonant hut f. I, or s, never double the final consonant when it is preceded by a. single vowel; a.s,man,hat. Exceptions; add, ebb, butt, ti^f, odd, err. inn, bunn, purr, and buzz. h'ahe O'lhography. None ever went sadd from Fineal. He re-joiced over 1 is sonn. Clonar lies bleeding on the bcdd of death. The weary sunn hath made a golden sett, And, by the bright track of his golden oarr, Gives token of a goodly day to-morrow. fi-?<;ji 111 Words ending in y, fijrtn the plural of nouns, the persons of verbs, participial nonns, past participles, compa-ratives, and superlatives, by changing y into i, when the ^



^^ ORTHOGRAPUV. is preceded by a consonant; as, spy, spies: I carry, thou car' riest, Ke carries; carrier, carried; happy, happier, happiest. The present participle, in iiig, retains the v that i may not be doubled; as, carry, carrying. But when y is preceded by a vozne!, in such instances as the above, it i^ not changed into t; as. boy, boys; I cloy, he cloys; except ig the words lay, pay,a.ni\ say; from which are formed laid, paid, and said; and their compounds Un-laid, unpaid, &c. False Orlkography. Our fancys shoulil be pioterned by rca=on. Tliou wearyest tlivself in vain. He (icnied biinsolf all sinful plea> sures. Win straiinp sonls with modesty and love; Cast none away. The truly good man is not dismaied by poverty. Rule IV. When words ending in y, assu'iie an additional syllable beginning with a consonant, the y, if it is preceded by a consonant, is commonly changed into i; as, happy, hap>- pity, happiness. But when y is preceded by a vowel, in such instances.it is very rarely changed into i; as, coy, coyless; boy, boyish, boyhood; joy, joyless, joyful. False Orthography. His mind is uninfluenced by fancyful hu- mours. The vessel was heavyly laden. When we act against con- science, wo become the dcstroiers of our own peace. Christiana, mayden of heroic mien! Star of the north 1 of northern stars the queen'. Rule V. Monosyllables, and words accented on the last syllable, ending with a single consonant that is preceded by a single vowel, double that consonant when they assume another syllable that begins with a vowel; a.s. wit, witty; thin, thinnish; to abet, an abettor. But if a dipthong precedes, or the accent is not on the last syllable, the consonant remains single; as, to toil, toil-ing: to iffer, an offering; maid, maiden. False Orthngraplij/. The bii'iness of to-day, should not be sc-fered till ti-morrow. That law is annuled. At sumraor rve, when heaven's aerial bow Spans with bright arch the g'.iltorrinc; hills below. Th'is mourned the haple-s man: a lliundprrini!' sound Rnlled round the shuflderring walls and shook the ground. R'LE VI. Words ending in double t, and taking ness, less ly,or fill, after them, generally omit one /; as./;;/.', skill,'ss. fill hi. skilful. But words ending in any double letter but /, and taking Si

RULES FOK SPELLING, ?3 ness, lessjij, orful, after them, preserve the letter double; as, harinUssness, carelessness, carelessly, stiffiy, successful. False Orthography. A chillnqss generally precedes a fever. H is wed to dullness. The silent stranger stoofl amazed to see Contempt of ivealth, and willful poverty. Restlcsness of mind impairs our peace. The road to the blisful regions, is as open to the peasant as to the king. Rule VII. Kess. less, ty, or ful, adfled to words ending in silent e, does not cut it otT; as, paleness, guileness, closely., peaffal; exrept in a few words; as, duly, truly, a'sful. False Ortk;>c;rttphy. Seilatness is becoming. Ail th'-se with ceasless praise his works behold. Stars rush: and final ruin fiercly drives Her plowshare o'er creation! -------Nature made a pause. An aweful pause! prophetic of her end! I'l'Le VIII. When words ending in silent e, assume the termination, incn<, the e should not be cut off; as, abatement, cha.'-tiscment. The words judgment, abridgment, acknoxssledg- ment, ire exceptions to this rule. J\fent. like other terminations, changes y into i when the y is preceded by a consonant; as, accompany, accompani ment; merry, merriment. False Orthography. A judicious arrangment of studies facili- tates improvnient. To shun allurments



is not hard, To minds resolv'd, forwarn'd, and well prepar'd. Rule tX. When words ending in silent e, assume the termination, able, or ible, the e should generally be cut off; as. blame, blamable; cure, curable; sense, sensible. But if c or g soft comes before e in the original word, the e is pre- served in words co'npounded with able; a.s, peace, peaceable; change, changeahle. False Orthography. Knowledge is desireable. Misconduct is in- excuseable. Our natural dcfe9ts are not chargable upon us. We are made to be servicable to others as well as to ourselves. Rule X. When ing or ish is added to words ending in silent e, the c is almost always omitted; as, place, placing; lodge, lodging; slave, slavish; prude, prudish. IjJ False Orthography. Labour and expense are lost upon a drone- ^-^isfl rpirit. Conscience antici|)ateing time. Already rues tli' unacted crinje. One self-approveing hour, whole years outweigha Of stupid starers, and of loud huzzas. m .-j'''

V 24 ORTHOGRAPHy. Rule XF. Compound words are generally spelled in the same manner as the simple words of which they are com-pounded; as, glasshouse, skylight, thereby, hereafter. Many words ending in double I, are exceptions to this rule; as, already, laelfare, -jcilful, fulfil; and also the words wherever, Christmas, lammas, &c. False Orthography. The Jews' pasover was instituted in A. M. 351:3.__They salute one another by touching their tbrheads. Then in the scale of reas'ning life 'tis plain, There must be, somwhere, such a rank as man. Till Hymen brought his lov-delighted hour, There dwelt no joy in Eden's rosy bower. The head reclined, the loosened hair, The limbs relaxed, the mournfull air: See, he looks up; a wofuU smile Lightens his wo-worn cheek awhile. You may now answer the following qUESTIOJ^S. What is Grammar? What does Universal grammar ex-i plain? Wherein does Particular grammar differ from uni- versal?__What is the btandard of grammatical accuracy? | What is language? How is language divided? What is natural language? What are the elements of natural lan- o-uage in man? Wherein consists the language of brutes? --What is "artificial language? What is an idea"? VVhat! are words? What is English grammar?-Into how many! parts i | grammar divided? What does Orthography teach?! '^.K

r^ ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX. LECTURE II. or NOTTNS AND VERBS. ^ f "Etymology treats of the different sorts of words, their various modifications, and their derivation. Syntax treats of the agreement and govern- ment of words, and of their proper arrangement in a sentence.) The word Etymology signifies the origin or pedigree nf :a:ords. The word Syntax means sentence-making. Orthography teaches you how to put letters together in a proper manner so as to form words; Etymology teaches , you the different sorts of words and their relationship, how words grow out of each other, and how they are varied in their letters in order to correspond with the variations in the circumstances to which they are applied; and Synt^Xi 4.: teaches you how to give all words their proper p: e ov situation when you form them into sentences. From these remarks you must be sensible, that Ety! gy and Syntax are both very important parts of gratMjV^^ but, of the two. Syntax is the more so, for it is by the "'<"\geqs\geqs\geqs\sqrt{syntactical rules}, that we are enabled rightly toarr.inu:eo5\setminu:eo5\setminu*



wordsinasentence, and to correctand avoid errour= Thesw ^. two parts, though very distinct in their nature, are.neverthc less, both taken together, because it is impossible for you fully to comprehend the one without a knowledge of the sther. With regard to Etymology, I have already inform- ed you, that, among other things, it treats of derivation; that is, it teaches you how one -junrd comes from, or grn~.:s out of another. This I will now illustrate. For example: from the wort; spcn^, come the words, .ipeakest, speaks, spoke, spo-' \tfteaking, spiaker. These, you will perceive, are all one 'tsiitt^ word, and all. except the last, express the same They differ from each, o^her only in the .5tn(j\iii3 difference is necessary in order to Swt<I correspond with the different/jcj-ions who 'B'it4^jAjKi1I^r of persons, or the rime of .speaking; as, I ft- m iAHi mam

2(i ETYMOLOGY ANB SYTNTAX. \peak thou spcakcst, the man speaks, the men speak, I spolic, &rc But a more extensive view of this subject, will be pre-sented in a future leclnre. This learis me, in the next place, to explain to you, under the head of Etymology, the different sorts of words. There are ten sorts of words called parts of speech, namely, the noun or suBSTA^TIVE, verb, ARTICLE, ADJECTIVE, PARTICIPLE, ADVERB, PRE-POSITION, PRONOUN, CONJUNCTION, and INTERJEC-TION. 1 v^_____ Thus you perceive, that all the words in the Enelish lan- guage are mcluded in these ten classes: and all you have te do m acquiring a knowledge of English grammar, is, mere-ly-to become acquainted with these ten parts of speech The Noun and Verb are the most important and leadin<r parts 01 speech, therefore they are first presented: all the rest (exc<;pl the interjection.) are either appendages or connectives 01 these two. As you proceed, you will find that it will require more time, and cost you more labour, to "et a knowledge of the noun and verb, than it will to become Ku roi^itf; W-ith all the minor parts of speech. "^^''^0 OF NOUN'S. . NOUN is the name of any person, place, oi; .mng;as mai}, Charleston, knowledge. } ^ The word Xoun signifies name. The name of any thine*' tiiat exists, whether animate er inaoimate, ijr which we caa s:ee. hear, feel, taste, smell, or think of, is a noun. Ilnimat, bird, creature, paper, pen, apple, field, house, modesUj, -drtw, -courage, danger, are all nouns. In order that you may caii-ly distinguLsh this part of speech from others, I wiU give yon a ^, which will be useful to you vhen you can not a tell It by the ssnse. Any word that will inake sense wi*h /w betoi-e It, is a notm. Try the following worJ.s by this sign, andsfee it they are nouns: tree, mouatain, soul, miB'l.COT- 4cieoce, understanding. The tree, the mountun, .foWoJi .vctyaniin;:! and Creatun- iji Ihe umverso, evcc- it I<> the Un'm'i.ysiSi!." v.-eijtur(;, i iriMunthat wliicli has beoji cre.itcj; ut, a do", wiiter "Srf "t]**'S li also frociuaidj iiiplioil to actions; as, " To Rel druni i n i/oaK!* iti*' W plirase, itsigmticsiffiill.eriuwilalHorofiatUfo; Lutil donou.- ' " J'>t3th acijonwliatIrtij;.

KOUNS----COmiON .',!^D I'KOPEK. 'ii (ukl fo on. You perceive, that they will make sense with the prefixed, therefgre yon know they are nouns. There arc, however, exceptions to this rule, for some nouns will not make sense with the prefixed. These you will be able to distinguish, if you exercise yourmind,by i\\e,irmakivgscnfc. of ihemsehcsjns,goodness, sobrietij, hope,immorlaHly. A^oune arc



soinc'tiines used as verbs, and verbs, as nouns; and nouns F.re sometimes used as adjectives, and adjectives, as nouns. Tijis matter will be explained in the concluding part of this lecture, where you will be better prepared to comprehend it. f Nouns are of two kinds, common and proper. A Common noun is the name of a sort or species of thing; as, man, tree, river. A Proper noun is the name of an individual; as, Charles, Ithaca, Ganges. A noun signifying many, is called a coUeciive noun or noun of multitude; as, the -peofle, the :j army.^ "\" iT\,\^\. The distinction between a common and a proper not#Sf;" '^'' very obvious. For example: iov is a common noun, be- cause it is the name applied to all boys; but Charles is aprC-, per noun, because it is the name of an individual boy,'.vAS though many boys may have the same nnmc,\t~y|V(^SSSt' it is not a common noun, for the name Chaytfes is nf>i ^S^^v^ to all boys. Mississippi is a proper noun, because ;t k ^f]ls. m name of an individual rfver; but river is a common ^wdl^^ 5|||| liecause it is the name of a yjccies of things, and tliej||jipf; /irer is common to a//rivers. m^I^^ IN'ouns which denote the genus, species, or varietyj/'pS? jogs or things, are always common; as, tree, the genBg*jB4^' ash, chesnut, poplar, different species; and red oak,v:k'ii^ oai, ItacA: oai, varieties. The word earth, when it signi- ties a kind or quantity of dirt, is a common noun; but ivheil it denotes the planet we inhabit, it is a proper noun. The rx'ords person, place, river, mountain, lake, &c. are ^(7,t*os, because they are tlic natnes of whole fpecies, 't^\Sii\A\pg*; containinp; inuny sorts; but Ihft nia, jwl soils, pjfet, rivers, mountains, lakes, ifv.^are^p'rgiiff^'^^'- -w}^Mi^-Si^ tltwiMe indhidunh):.^iS-k"'

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8 ETYMOliOGV AND SYNTAX, kW .VOTES 1. When proper nouns have an article annexed to them, the_f are used as common nouns; as, "Bolivar is stiled the Washington 6T South America." 2, Common nouns are sometimes used to signify individmils, when articles or pronouns are prefixed to them; as, "The boj is studious; That girl is discreet." o. Common nouns are sometimes subdivided into the followinj; classes: Nouns of multitude; as, The people, the parliament: Ver- bal or participial nouns; as, The beginning, reading, writing; and Mstract nouns, or the names of qualities abstracted from their sub- stances; as, Knowledge, virtue, goodness. Lest the student be led to blend the idea of abstract nouns with that of adjectives, both of which denote qualities, a further illustration appears to be necessa-ry, in order to mark the distinction between these two parts of tipeech. An abstract noun denotes a quality considered apart (that is, abstracted)/ram the substance or being to which it belongs; but an adjective denotes a quality joined (adjected) to the substance or being to which it belongs. Thus, whiteness and white beth de-note the same quality; but we speak of whiteness as a distinct ob- ject of thought, while we use the word white always in preference to the noun to which it belongs; as. White paper, u-hite house. 4. Some authors have proceeded to stiU more minute divisions and subdivisions of nouns, such for example, as the following, .which appear to be more complex than useful: 1. Natural nouns, t names of thirds formed by nature; as, Man, beast, water,



air: 2. Artificial nouns, or names of things, formed by art; as, Book, vessel, house: 3. Personal notms, or those which stand for human beings; as, Man, woman, Edwin: 4. Neuter nouns, or those which cnote things inanimate; as. Book, field, mountain, Cincinnati. 5. A noun of multitude is sometimes composed of two or three .TTf^ffrtL whicll <^a.se the several words should all be taken togethe: 3 one noun; as, house of Israel, house of Commons, gang of robbers. To nouns belong gender, person, number, and I ase. GENDEK. Gender is the distinction of sex. Nouns have three genders, the masculine, the feminine, and the neuter. The masculine gender denotes malesj as, a; man, a boy. The feminine gender denotes femalesf^-s woman, a girl. * The Notes and Remarks throughol:! '.kc wort, >rcy "ii 'u'.d be aUcn*.iv jly Btuilic<'

NOraS. GENDER. 29 The neuler gender denotes things without sex; as, a hat, a stick. Muter meiins neither: therefore neuter gender signifies neither gender; that is, neither masculine nor feminine. Hence, neuter gender means no gender. The gender of nouns is so easily known, that a further explanation olthenri is unnecessary, except what is given in the following J^OTES. 1 The same noun is sometimes masculine and feminine, and .om'etimes masculine or feminine. The noun parents is of the mas- ouliue and feminine gender. The nouns parent, associate, neighbour, servant, friend, child, bird, fish, kc., if doubtlul, are of the mascu-line or feminine gender. 2 Some nouns naturally neuter, are, when used figuratively or personified, converted into the raascuhne or feminine gender Those nouns are rendered masculine, which are conspicuous for the attributes of imparting or communicating, and which are by nature strong and efficacious; as, the sun, lime, death, sleep, innter, ir Those again, are feminine, which are conspicuous for the at-tributes of containing or bringing forth, or which are very beautiful, mild, or amiable: as, the earth, moon, church, boat, vessel, ntti, eoua- try, nature, ship, soul, fortune, virtue, hope, spring, peace, &c. The masculine and feminine genders are distinguished in three, ways: I. Bi/ different words; as. (Masculine. Feminine. Masculine. Feminine. Bachelor maid King Queen Boar sow Lad lass Hoy girl Lord lady Brother sister Man woman Buck doe Master mistress Bull cow Milter spawner Cock lien Nephew niece Dog bitch Ram ewe Drake duck Singer songstress o': r.atl countess singer Father mother Sloven slut Friar nun Son daughter Gander gO0!E Stag hind Hart roe Uncle aunt 1lorse mare Wizard witch Flu-baa,r ivii'c Sir madam (> . Bj/a difference in termination; ; as, aiibess Arbiter arbitress MW3t<v actress Auditor auditress ^rabiid3t*^tr administratrix Author authores' 48altstw^.i adulteress Earon b aroness ';^aiterr ambassadress Benefactor C2 benefactres'. '^)dl tni mg mamBm

M EXyMOLOGY AND SYNTAX Bridegroom briJe Jew Jewess Cunon caaoncss Marquis marchioness Caterer Ciiteross Major mayoress Chunter . chantress Patron patroness Conductor conductresa Peer peeress * Count countess Poet poetess : Czar czarina Priest priestess Deacon deaconess Prince princess Deiractor dctractress Prior prioress Director directress Prophet prophetess Duke duchess Proprietor proprietress Elector electress Protector protectress Embassador ambassadress- Shepherd



shepherdess Emperor empress Songster songstress Enchanter enchantress Sorcerer sorceress Executor executrii Suiter suitress Fornicator fornicatress Sultan sultanessor sul- God goddess tana Governour governess Tiger tigress Heir heiress Testator testatrix Hero heroine Traitor tratoress ilost kostess Tutor tutoress Hunter huntress Tyrant tyranesi inheritor inheritress or Victor victress inheritrix Viscount viscountes' Inetructer instructress Votary votaress TAoii lioness Widower widow J. B>/ prefixing anothm- word; aSy A cock-sparrow A hen-sparrow j , 'V man-st>r\ ant A maid-servant 1 A he-goat A she-goat ii ...;, A he-bear A she-bear 1 Ir -V:-* A njale-child A female-child 1 "Male-descendants Female-deseendants j PERSON.! Person is that property of a noun or proHouri t\hich varies the verb. The Jirsi person denotes the speaker. The second person (ienotes the person or thing r\poken to: as, "Listen, O earthP" The third person denotes the person or tiling spoken of: as, "The earth thirsts." Nouns have but<-j!0 persons, the second and Ihirth Wiiiti a noun speuks, the pronoun / or-.ic is alwaxs useH: liioe-; fore nouns can never be in the first pei-soo. In eSiSSij "ke the foUowing, sonl*? philologists suppose <hen*ttiiif?\\cdot\}

NOUNS. PERSOX.----MMBER. 31 t m ihcfrst person: "This may certify, that I, Jonas Tay- lor, do hereby give and grant," kc. But it is evident, that the speaker or writer, in introducing his own name, speaks of himself; consequently the noun is of the third person. If you wish to understand the persons of nouns, a little sober thought is requisite; and, by exercising it, all difficul- ties will he removed. If I say, my son, have you seen (he young man?you perceive that the noun so is of the second person, because I address myself <o him; that is, he is spo- ken to; but the noun man is of the third person, because he is spoken of. Again, if I say, young man. have you seen my son? man is of the second person, and son is of the third. "Hast thou left tby blue course in the heavens, goldenhaired sun of the sky?" "Father, Hiay the Great Spirit so brighten the chain of friendship between us, that a child m.iy find it, when the sun is asleep in his wig-warn behind the western waters." "Lo, earth receives him from the bending skies! Sink down, ye mountains, and, ve valleys, rise!" "Eternal Hope! thy glittering wings explore, Earth's loneliest bounds and ocean's wihiest shore." In these examples, the nouns, sun, father, mountains, val- leys, and hope, are of the secojirf person, and, as you will hereafter learn, in the nominative case independent. Course, heavens, sky, Spirit, chain, friendship, child, sufly wig-wam, waters, earth, skies, wings, earth, bounds, ocean, and shore, are all of the third person. NUMBER. Number is the distinction between one and many. Nouns are of two numbers, the singu- lar and the plural. The singular number implies but oaj^.as (took. '^^Wirti^., The pluralnumhet implies more than otr^; as, books. yoTES. 'iMa/^,Wf!tt^;ilf-;vse^, only in the singular form; as, hemp, I bitpej", ^iTPaf, f'ltchi gold, sloth, pride, honesty, meekness, .;i5Bipa? sion, &o.. ^;tli only in the plural form; as, beljows, sois- airs, ashes, riches, enuffeTs, tongs, thanks, wages, embers, idef, "':-" .0-:;icra, &c.



^".^'wwi^aiPK" W -32 fiTYiAIOLOUY AND SYISTAX. 2. Some words are the same in both numbers; as, deer, sheep., swiue; and, also, hiatus, apparatus, series, speeies. ::. The plural number of nouns is generally formed by adding!, to the singular i as, dove, doves; face, faces; but sometimes we add es in the plural; as, box, boxes; church, churches; lash, lash- es; cargo, cargoes, i 4. Nouns ending in / or fe, are rendered plural by a change of \ that termination into ves; as, half, halves; wife, wives; except; grief, relief, reproof, and several others, which form the plural by the addition of s. Those ending iu ff, have the regular plural; as, ruff, rulfs: except stafi', staves. 5. Nouns ending in y in the singular, with no other vowel in the same syllable, change it into ies in the plural; as, beauty, beauties; 1 fly Ibe^. But the v is not changed, where there is another vowel in the syllable; as, key, keys; delay, delays; attorney, attorne5s; valley, valleys; chimney, chimneys. 6. Mat/umatics, metaphysics, politics, eptics, ethics, pneumatics, hydraulics, &<?., are construed either as singular or plural nouns. 7. The word news is alvays singular. The nouns mean?, alms, and amends, though plurnl in form, may be either singular or plu- ral ill signification. Antipodes, credenda, literati, and minutiie, are always plural. Bandit is now used as the singular of banditti. 8. The following nouns form their plurals not according to any "eneral rule: thus,"man, men; woman, women; child, children; ix, oxen; tooth, teeth; goose, geese; foot, feet; mouse, mice; louse, lice; brother, brothers or brethren; cow, cows orkine; pen- I'.y, ponce or pennies when the coin isnneant; iWi; dice for play, iMes for. coining; pea, and fish, peas; and fish when tho species is meant, but peas tind fishes when we refer to the number; as, six peas, ten fishes. 9. The following compounds form their plurals thus: handful, handfuls; cupful, cupfuls; snoonful, spoonfuls; brother-in-law, brothers-in-law; court-martial, cour-ts-martial. The following words form their plurals according (0 the rules at the languages from which they are adopled, fiingular, Antitbsjis Aj, ex Appendix Arcanum Automaton Axis Basis Beau Calx Cherub Plural. antitheses apices (apptnidix (a lipendic ixes or ices arcana automata axes bases theaux or (beaus i, :;alces or ealxes cherubim or erubs (cher Icher Singular. Crisis Criterioa Datum Uiasresis Desiileiatura Effluvium Ellipsis Emphasis Encomium Erratum Genius Genus Hypothises errata genii* genera hypotiitT? 'Gcrjii, imaginary 8i)iiits: geiuusc?^, per^.ci. H of great miuldi oljiiiMV--

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VEHBS.----CASES OF NOI NS. 33 "H-m Ignia lutuus Index Uumiiia Magus Meraorarnlum ignes fatui (indices or (indexes* laininie Diagi (mcmorajida or (mcutorandums Metamorphosis metamorphoses Thesis J'lirenthesis parentheses Vertex I'heuomenon pheuomena Vortex Radius Stamen Seraph Stimulus Stratum radii or radiuses stamina (seraphim o'r (seraphs stimuli strata theses vertices S vortices or vortexes * CASE. Case, when applied to nouns, means the dif- lerent state or situation they have in relation to iother words. Nouns have three cases, the nom- inative, the possessive, and the Objective. As the nominative and objective cases of the noun are inseparably connected with the verb, it is impossible for you to understand them until you shall have acquired some knowledge



of this part of speech. I will, therefore, now give you a partial description of the verb in connexion with the noun; which will enable me to illustrate the cases o.' the noun so clearly that j'ou may easily comprehend their nature. In the formation of language, mankind, in order to hold converse with each other, found it necessary, in the first place, to give names to the various objects by which tliey were surrounded. JJence the origin of the first part oi speech, which we denominate the noun. But merely to name the objects which they beheld or thought of, was not sufficient for their purpose. They perceived that these ebjects existed, moved, acted, or caused some action to be done. In looking at a man, for instance, they perceived that he lived, walked, ate, smiled, talked, ran, and so on. They perceived that plants grow, flowers bloom, and river." flow. Hence the necessity of another part of speech, whose office it should be to express these existencies and actions This second class of words we call VERBS. ^;^V;gKJe is a word which signifies to bk, to do 'fti.,; as, I am; I rule; I am ruled. of cf>r.t:nt3 aie meant: inJicca, whet ricrm^'t j^ f-s-wB, A4n iMjjntcrs or Vxhl: ^^' J .

34 W^ff^^ ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX. I Verbs iire of three kinds, active, passive, an, neuter. Tliey are also divided into regular, ir regular, and defective. The term verl/ is deiivcd from (lie Lnlin word vfrbuim which signifies liword. Tliis part of speech is called a verb orrc'ord, because it is deemed the most important xvord in every sentence: and without a verb, either expressed or implied, no sentcnrc can exist. The noun is (he original and leading part of speech; the verb comes next in order, ;uid IS far more complex than the nonn. These two are the most useful in the language, and form the basis of the sci- ence of grammar. The other eight parts of .peech, ar Mibordinate to these two, and, as joil will hereafter lea of minor importance. An active verb expresses action: and The nominalive case is the actor, or subject o the verb; iis, Jo/mwr)ies. n this example, which is the verb? You know it is the' word T:s;rites, because this word signilies to do; that is, it ex- presses action, therefore, according to the defmidon, it is"* an active verb. And you know, too, that the noun John, is the actor, therefore John is in the nominative case (o the verb writes. In the expressions, The man walks The boy plays Thunders roll Warriors tight you perceive, that The words n^alks, plays, roll, am fight are active verbs; and you can not be at a loss to know, that the nouns man, boy. 'htinders, and warriors, are in the nominative case. - A noun in the nominative case is not always an actor sometimes it is merely the sybject of n verb. A neuter verb expresses neither action noi passion, but being, or a state of being/ as, John &its, Kow, in this example, .hhn is not represented as an; actor, but, as the subject of the verb sits, therefore John isi in the nominative case to the verb. And you know that (h?l word sits does not express action, but heina-; (hat is. 'i, r.- presents John in a certain state of existetice, therefole lir.-. i \\. neuter verb, fn speaking of the neuter gender of nou.is,; informed you, that neuter menaa neither; nom which it lb! .^(I^^]Jiat neuter gender implies neither gender; that Wji



} VERBS. ?ibMBKH AM) JPERSON. S3 i ueithcr mnscuHne nor feminine. Hence, by an easy transition of thought, you learn, that neuter, when applied to verhs, means neither of the other two classes; that is, n neuter verb is one which is neither active nor passive. In these examples. The man sfands^The lady lives The child sleeps Tlie world exists the words stands, lives, sleeps, and exists, are neuter verbs; and the nouns, man, latlij, child, and n-orld, are all in the nominative case, because each is the SM^/ec^ of a verb. Thus you perceive, that whfti a noun is in the nominative case to an active verb, it is the actor; and when it is nominative to a neuter verb, it is nat as actor, but the subject of the verb. I will now give you two signs, which will enable you to distinguish the verh from other parts of speech, when you can not tell it by its signification. Any word that will make sense with to before it, is a verb. I'hus, to run, to write, to smile, to sing, to hear, to ponder, to live, to breathe, are verbs. Or, any word that will conjy^afe is a verb. Thus, run, thou runr.est, he runs; I write, thou writest, he writes; I smile, kc. But the words, boy, lady, child, and world, will not make sense with to prefixed ro boy, to lady, to world, is nonsense. iS^either will they cotijvgate I lady, thou ladiest, kc. is worse than nonsense. Hence you per- ceive, that these words are not verbs. There are some exceptions to these rules, for verbs'are sometimes used a , nouns. This will e explained by and by. To verbs belong num, ber, person, mood, and tense. .^t present f shall spe.ak only of the number and persou of verbs; but hereafter I will give you a full explanation of all their properties. And permit me to inform you, that I shall not lead you into the intricacies of the science, un-til, by gradual and easy progressions, you are enabled tii comprehend the principles involved in them. Only sucip ^lrinciples will be elucidated, as you are prepared to undrf-*^ stand at the time they ate,.'infolded l)efore you. You must lot'b\ too anxious to get along rapidly; but endeavour la >:h;rj.'jr*'-!y acquainted with one principle, before ^^BOtfar. This lecture will qualify you for If-. ^<v^-* DttMriF.ftAKD PERSON OF VERBS. You recolisct, that the rniii.itlrp ic ,v,c acfor or subject, anci the active verb is the

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ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX. action performed by the nominative. By this you perceiveJ that a very intimate connexion or relation exists betweeaj the nominative case and the verb. If, therefore, only orte^ creature or thing acts, only one action, at the same instant, can be done; as. The girl wriles. The nominative girl is here of the singular number, because it signifies but one person; and the verb narites denotes but one action, which the girl performs; therefore the verb wntes is of the singu-/csnumber, agreeing with its nominative girl. When the nominative case if, jtural, the verb mu?t be plural: a.s.girls zvrite. Take notice, the singular verb ends in s, but the noun is generally plural when it ends in i; thus, The girl xrites the girls write. Person, strictly speaking, is a quality that belongs not to verbs, but to nouns and pronouns. We say, however, that the verb must agree with its nominative



in person, as well n3 in number; that is, the verb must be spelled and spoken in such a manner as to correspond with the Jirst, second, or third person of the noun or pronoun which is its nominative. I will now show you how the verb is varied in order to* agree with its nominative in number and person. 1, Thou, I j'le. She, It; We, Ye or You, They, are personal pronouns. 7 is of the firH person, and singular number; Thou is second per. sing.; He, She. or It, is third per. sing.; We is Jirst per. plural; Ye or You is second per. plural; They is third per. plural. Notice, particularly, the different variations or endingsi if the verb, as it is thus conjugated in the INDICATIVE .MOOD, PRESENT TENSE. Singular. Plural. Pers. I wflk. 1. Pers. We walk, Pcrs. Thou walkesf, 2. Pers. Ye or you walk, Pers. He walks, or)? Pers. They walk, or) the boy walks, > the boys walk.^ or walkctA.) This display of the verb shows you, Ihwt whenever itl ends in est, it is of the second person singular; but when thew verb ends in s, or etk, it is of the third person s!><gqTar^ Walkest. ridcst, standest, are of the second person singular.

.\ '^I PARSING, 37 Al present you are learning two parts of speech, neither oi' which can be understood without a knowledge of the other. It therefore becomes necessary to explain them both in the same lecture. You liave been already informed, that nouns have three cases; the nominative, the possessive, and the objective. Possessive Case. The possessive case denotes possession or property; as, this is John's horse. This expression implies, that John is the owner, ov pos-sessor, of the horse; that is, he lias a pro/icrty in him, there- fore the noun John is in thepossessive case. A noun in the possessive case is always known by its having an apostrophe, and generally an s after it; thus, Johi's hat; the boy's coat. When a plural noun in the pos-sessive case, ends in s, the apostrophe is added, but no ad- ditional s; as, "Bojs'hats, Eagles" wings."" When a singu- lar noun ends in ss, the apostrophe only is added; as, "For goodness" sake; for righteousness" sake; "except the word witness; as, "a'i/racss'i testimony." When a noun in the possessive case ends in ence, the s is omitted, but the apos- trophe is retained; as, "For conscience' sake." Now please to turn back, and read over this and the pre. ceding lecture three times, and endeavour, not only to understand, but, also, to remember, what you read. In read-ing, proceed thus: read one sentence over slowly, and then look ofl'the book, and repeat il two or three times over in yourijind. After that take another sentence and proceed in the same manner, and so on through the whole lecture. Do not presume to think, that these directions are of no real consequence to you; for, unless you follow them strictly, you need not expect to make rapid progress. Ou the jthe: hand, if you proceed according to my instructions, you will be sure to acquire a practical knowledge of grammar in a short time. When you shall have complied with this requi- sition, you may commit the following order of parsing a noun, and the order of parsing a verb; and then you will be preppttred to parse or analyze the following examples. ANALYSIS, OR PARSING. flMk^SSfiolleot the meaning of the word analysis? If t pifcl will .ixplaiu it: and first, 1 wish you to remem- ber, thatWraljsis isjthe.reverse of synthesis. Synthesis is I 1 4*.



as Efl^YMOLOGY AtiD SVx\TAX, ^^ili- I ihe act of combining simples so as to form a whole or cotn pound':- Thus, in putting together lettrrs so as to form syl lables, syllables so as to form words, words so as to form sentences, and sentences so as to form a discourse, the pro cpss is called synthetick. Analysis, on the contrary, is the act of decomposition; that is, the act of separating any thing compound into its simple parts, and thereby exhibiting its elementary principles. Etymology treats principally of the analysis of language. To analyze a sentence, is to se-parate from one another the d^iferent words of which it is composed; and to analyze ortparse a word, means to enu-, Kierate and describe all its vanous properties, and its gram- | matical relations with respect to other words in a sentence, and trace it through all its inflections or changes. Perhaps, to you, this will, at first, appear to be of little use; but if you persevere, you will hereafter tind it of great utility, tor parsing will enable you to detect, and correct, errours "iti composition. SYSTEMATICK ORDER OF PARSING. / The order of parsing a Noun, is a noun, and why? common or proper, and why? gender, and why? person, and why? number, andf why? case, and why? Rule. Decline it.; The order of parsing a Verb, is a verb, antl \^hy^ active, passive, or neuter, and why? if active transitive or intransitive, and why? if passive how is it formed?' legular, irregu- lar, or defective, and wliy? mood, and why? tense, and why? person and number, and; 'vliyf with what does it agree? Rule. Con-jugate it. 1 will now parse two nouns according to the order, aii m so doing, 1 shall, by applying the definitions and rnU answer all those questions given in the order If you lin > perfectly cammitted the order of parsing a nonn and vc you may proceed with me; but, recollect, you can not - a.verb in full until you shall have had ""^^ expliumtion of it. a mo^ ">^o\inl(

\ NOrNS AND VERBS.--PARSING. 2^ JohiCs hand tremhles. John's is a noun, because it is the name of a person proper, tlie name of an indivirlual masculine gender, it denotes a male tliird person, spoken of sina:ular nnm- ber, it implies but one and in the possessive case, it de- notes possession or property it is governed by the noun "hand," according to Rule 12. A noun or pronoun in the possessive case, is governed by the noun it possesses. Declined Sing. nom. John, poss. John's, obj. John. Plit ra! Is xa-anting. Hand is a nouo, the name of a thing common, the name of a sort or species of things neuter gender, it denotes a thing without sex third pers. spoken of sing. num. it im-plies but one and in the nominative case, it is the actor and subject of the verb "trembles," and governs it agreea'- bly to ^ Rules. The nominative case governs the verb: that is, the nominative determines the number and person of the verb. Declined Sing. nom. hand, poss. hands', obj. hand. Plur nom. hands, poss. hands', obj. hands. Trembles is a verb, a word which signifies to do actire[^] It expresses action third person, singillar number, hf cause the nominative "hand" is with whicliit agrees. aceSordlHgTcr Rule 4. The verb must agree with its nominative in nutif ber and person. You must not say that the verb is of the third person be cause i < is spoken of. The verb is never spoken of; but ii 19 of the third person, and singular or plural number, be cause its nominative is. Now parse the sentence which I have parsed, until the manner is quite familiar to you; and then you will be pre- pared to analyze



correctly and systematically, the followino- exercises When you parse, you may spread the Compen" Uium before you; and if you have not already committed me definitions and rules, you may read them on that, as von apply tl.em. This mode of procedure will enable you to torn a// the definitions and rules by applying them to praC EXERCISES IN Pi^RSING. V'<2nds Rains descend Snow falls Snows fajV """"" Thunders roll-Man's works decay- - <w "s (^og barks Eliza's voice frr^m ^ t... iMf (* '^i^

40 ETYMOLOGY AM) SYM'AX. .' i-:-":.^;. In the next place, I will parse a noun and a neuter veib, which verb, you will notice, difieis fiom an active only in one respect. , " Birds repose on the branches of trees." Birds is a noun, the name of a thing or creature com- mon, the name ot a genus or class masculine and feminine gender, it denotes both males and females third person, spoken of plural number, rt implies more than one and in the nominative case, it is the subject of the verb "repose," and governs it according to Rule 3. The nominative case go-cerns the verb. Declined Sing. nom. bird, poss. bird's, obj. bird. Plur. xiom. birds, poss. birds', obj. birds. Repose is a verb, a word that signifies to be neuter, it ex- presses neither action nor passion, but being, or a state of being third person, plural number, because the nominative "birds" is with which it agrees agreeably to KuLK. 4. The verb must agree ailA its nominative in number and person. ' . Now parse those nouns and neuter verbs that are dislin guished by italicks, in the following EXERCISES IN PARSING. 5e booElies on thedesk The cloak hajigs on the wall Mail's days are few Cathmor's uarriors steep in death Clatho reposes in the narrow house Jocund day stands tip toe on the misty mountain tops. The sunbeams rest on tho ^rave where her beauty sleeps. OBJECTIVE CASE.-ACTIVE-TRANSITIVE VERBS., The objective case expresses the object of ai; 'actiou or of a relation. It generally-follows a; transitive verb, a participle, or a preposition. A twun is in the objective case when it is tha object oir sometluog \t present I shall explain this caf.'i only as, t the object of an action; but when wf. shall have advanced 1, as far as to the preposition, 1 will also illustwtai^\IW^th^ ol'ject of arelaliuH. An active verb is transitive when passes over from the subject m- ^ anobiect; as. Richarri J^ ft!

V in, a VERBS. TRANSITIVE AND INTRA\SITIVE. 41 Transitive meanspassing. In this sentence the action of the verly strikes i transitive, because it passes over from the nominative Richard to the object John; and jou know that the noun John is in the objective case, because it is the ob-ject of the action expressed by the active-Iransitive verb strilles. This matter is very plain. For example: Gallileo invented the telescope. Now it is evident, that Gallileo did not exert his powers of invention, without some object in view. In order to ascertain that object, put the question, Gallileo invented what? The telescope. Telescope, then, is the real object of the action, denoted by the transitive verb invented; and, therefore, telescope is in the ob-jective case. If I say, The horse kicks the servant Carpenters 6mW houses Ossian xcrete poems Columbus discovered America you readily perceive, that the verbs kicks, build, -^rote,a.nii discovered, express transitive actions; and you can not be at a loss to tell which nouns are in the object- tive case:--they are servant,houses, poems, and America.



--The nominative and objective cases of nouns are gener- ally known by the following rule . the nominative does some- thing; Ihe objective has something done to it. When I say, George struck the servant, George is in the nominative case' and servant is in the objective case; but, when 1 say, The' servant struck George, serranns in the nominalive'case. and George is in the objective case. Thus you 'lerceive,' that Case means the dilferent state or situation of nounv with regard to other words. It is sometimes very difficult to tell the case of a noun I shall, therefore, take up this subject a'ain, when I come to give you an explanation of the participle and preposition besides the thiee cases already explained, nouns are sometimes in tile nominative case independent, sometimes in the nominative case absolute, sometimes in apposition in the same case, and sometimes in the nominative or objective eiue after the neuter verb to be, or after an active infransi. tive or passive verb. Thee cases are illustrated in Lee- lore X. and in the 21, and 22, Rules of Syntax. , ACTIVE-INTRANSiriVE VERBS. An active verb is transitive' when the action *.cKriip'te|..onan object: and .i'?*-^**, "'*' "' 'i'i'ntransitive, when the action \ci<Rf *fir*fmnateo,i an object: as, John walk' \' " D 2 '

li ETYMOLOGY AM) SYXTAX. You perceive that the verb Ti-alks. in this exam)le, is iw transitive, because the action does not pass over to an ob- ject; that is, the action is confined to the agent John. The following- sign will generally enable you to distinguish a transitive verb from a4i intransitive^ Any verb that will make sense with the words a ihing. or, a person, after it, i^ transitive. ,^ Try these verbs by the sign, love, kelp, congxicr, reach, subihte, overcome. Thus, you can say, I love a person or thing 1 can help a person or thing and so on. Ilcnce you knoir that these verbs are transitive.- But an intransi- tive verb will not make sense with this sign, which fact will be shown by the following examples: smile, go, come, ptay, bark, u'atk.]lij. We can not say, if we mean to speak En- glish, 1 smile a person or thing -I go a person or thing: hence you perceive that these verbs are not transitive, but intransitive. If you rellect upon these examples for a few moments, you will have a clear conception ot the nature of transitive and intransitive verbs. Before I close this subject, how-; ever, it is necessary further to remark, that some tiansitive and intransitive verbs expiess whnt is called a mental or moral action; and others, a corporeal or physical action. Verbs expressing the difl'crent aifections or operations of the mind, denote moral actions; as, Brutus IoTsed hi.s coun-try; Jiuncs hates vice; We believe the tale: to repent, to relent, to think, to reflect, to mourn, to muse. Those exfces-. sing the actions produced by matter, denote physical actions; as, The dog hears the bell; Virgil icrofe the .^inead; Colnmbas discovered America; to see, lo feel, to taste; to smell, to run, to talk, iofly. to strike. In the sentence, Charles resembles his father, the verb rtsemblcs does net appear t* express any action al[^] all; yet the coostrttction of the sen- tence, and the office the verb performs, are such, that u-? are obliged to parse it as an active-transitive verb, govern- ing4he noaa/ather in the objective case. This you may easily reconcile in your miad, by reflecting, that the verb has a direct reference to its object. The following verbs are of this character: Have, oten, retain; as, I hav; a book. Activeintransitive verbs.are fiegnent!:i.-it\e;ir(insif When 1 say, The inrdffly, the verhfltj, li 7',;r,>.nsitl!F^;]



when I say, The hoy flies the kite, the verb y^* ?* ifS^^ir and governs the noun kite in the objective (iose^ iJw^fe^it activfc-intransitive verb, and sometimes f'veirT- ' t j

X IN'OUNS AND VERBS. PARSIAO. 4:3 are used us transitive. The horse zi-alks rapidly; The hov mas swiftly: My iViend lives well; The m;in died of a fe-ver. In all these examples the verhs are t^transitive; in the following they arc transitive. The man Tfalks his horse; ' 'he hoy ran a race; My friend lives a holy life; Let fne die the death of the righteous. Now please to turn back again, and peruse this lecture attentively; after which you may parse, systematically, the following exercises containing nouns in the three cases, and active-transitive verbs. The printer/)ri,"<s books. Prints is a verb, a word that signifies to do active, it expresses action transitive, the action passes over from the nominative "printer" to the object "books" third pers. sing. numb, because tile nominative printer is with which it agrees. P.ULE 4. The verb must agree Tc'!(/t its nominative case in number and person. Books is a noun, the name of a thing coftimon, the name of a sort or species, neut. gend. it denotes a thing without sex third pers, spoken of)lur, num, it implies more than one and in the objective case, it is the object of the rx- tion, expressed by the active-transitive verb ")i'ints," and is governed by it according to Rule 20. Aclive-transitiveverbsgoverns the objective case. 'I^he noun books h thus declined Sing, nom. book. poss. book's, obj. book Plur. nom. books, poss. books', ol>j. books. EXEIICISES IN PARSING. Xom. case. Trans, verb. Poss. Case. Obi. case. Julius prints children's primers. Harriet makes ladies'. bonnet.\(^\). The servant beats the man's horse. The horse kicks the servant's master. The boy struck that man's child. The child lost those boys' ball. The tempest sunk those merchants 'vessels. The gall! sweeps the rooiinlain's brow, Pwfi (ranslatrd Homer's Iliad. -^SS^*^- procured Milo's release. ^P^f^jaifihv.,. ^oaquetjd Darius' army. vJrtri'j* 'a ";<i m^' the enemy's fleet. li^'*iLs obtiled his country's freedora

44 etVmology and syntax. s,elc SING. I'l.L'R. man men man's men's nin. men. Note. 1. Tin; words t'lc, that., those, and his, you need not fiarse. 2. A noun in the possessive c:iso, is soinetimrs poverited by a noun understood; as, .lnlia's lesson is longer than John's lesson.^ As you have been analyzing^ nouns in their three cases, it becomes necessary to present in the next place, the declen- sion of nouns, for you must decline every noun you parse. Declension means putting a noun through the different cases: and you will notice, that the possessive case varies from the nominative in its termination, o'-ending, but the objective case ends like the nominative. The nominative and objec- tive cases of nouns, must, therefore, he ascertained by their situation in a sentence, or by considering the oflice they perform. DECLENSION OF NOUNS. SIN'G. PLta. Abm. king kings A~om. Pass, king's kings' Poss. Obj. king. kings. Obj. Now if you have parsed evei'v wortl in the preceding . examples, (except the, thai, those, and his.yyou itmy proceed with me, and parse the examples in the (ollowing exercises. iu which are presented nouns and active-intransitive verbs. ' The divided multitude hastily disperte.'''' Multitude is a norm, a name that denotes persons a col- lective noun,



or noun of multitude, it signiiios many mas- culine and feminine gender, it implies both sexes third jierson, spoken of singular number, it represents hut one multitude, or collective body; (but in another sense, ft is plural, as it conveys plurality of idea, and, also, implies more individuals than one;) and in the nominative case, it is the actor and subject of the verb "disperse," which it governs. Recording to l^ui.E 3. The nominative case governs the verb. Declined. Siug. nom. multitude, poss. multitude's, obj. multitude-Flur. nom. multitudes, poss. multitudes', obj. mul- titudes. Disperse is a verb, a word that signuies to do--ac'iY it expresses action intransitive, the ixction doe^' minate on an object third person, pli;ral nijaJier.^er;

.\Oti\S.---PAKSJING. 45 its QoiHinative "multitude" conveys pluiality of idea; and it agrees witli 'multitude" agreeably to lluLB 11. A noun, of multitude conveying plurality of idea, must have a verb or pronoun agreeing with it in the plural. EXERCISES IN PARSING. Mom. case. Intran. verb. Nom. case. Intran. verb Men labour. The sun sets. Armies march. The moon rises. Vessels sail. The stars twinkle. Birds fly- The rain descends. Cloud.\(^\) move. The river flows. Multitudes perish. The nation mourns. As an exercise on what you have been studying, I wilj now put to you a few questions, all of which you ought to be able to answer before you proceed any farther. QUE.STIONS NOT ANSWKRED IN PARSING. With what two general divisions of grammar does the se cond lecture begin? Of what does Etymology treat? Of what does Syntax treat? Name the ten parts of speech. Which of these are considered the most important? By what sign may a noun be distinguished? How many kinds of nouns arc there? What belong to nouns? Name some participial nouns. What are abstract nouns' What is the distinction between abstract nouns and adjectives? What are natural nouns? Artificial nouns? Are nouns of multi- tude ever composed of more than one word? What isge(JSf;s': iler? How many genders have nouns? Are nouns ever 'masculine and feminine? When are nouns naturally neu- ter, converted into the masculine or feminine gender? What ilperson? How many persons have nouns? What is num-fti"? How many numbers have nouns? Speaksouie aouns iiat are ijdways singular. Some that are always plural. Speak same that are in the same form in both numbers. Name all the difterent wa\s of forming the plural number i(io\jiH;t. Of what number are the nouns news and means'/ (intiA f-nsoi How many cases have nouns? How many Ijfot^^jRi^ are there? What belong to verbs? What - ^iyfjat i:i analysis? What is parsing? Re- ef p :ing the noun. Repeat the order of / er!).- iat rule do you apply in parsing a IRissivij "ase ' What rule in parsing a noun "e-.plie? What rule applies in parsiile a

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'U 46 ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX. ^erb?-By what rule are the nominative and objective ca- ses of nouns known?-By what sign can you d.stmgu.sh a trins t.ve from an intransitive verh?-Do trans.fve verbs lver express a moral action?-Are intransitive and neuter verbs ever sed as transitive?-Whatrue



do you apply m Tarsfnganounin the objective cae?-I .Par^2ra,i(v of agreeing with a noun of multitude conveying plurahty of idea, what rule do you apply? REMARKS ON VERBS AND NOUNS. You have already been informed, that verbs are the "lo't impr- or communicate an idea whithout -^^""^W the state I^ manner o/> creatures and things, vvhcther an.matc^or.nammate As v^^ all their various properties, and show y" ^!,f ^^^^]',,, ^ ,Jb; and A word that is generally a noiwi, sometimes occomLs ai. a ^erbtfUuently used I a o u. ^ I,"-V ^\"f;ffiSer?orms sense which the word conveys; or, rather, on the orace h n the Ltence. For instance: glory u pnerall^y a "o"" ^^\ *^^ ;U7of God's throve." But if 1-y, I gi-i, '" -^6-^;; ^.f^, ije. in "ckedness the word ,^,r, ^^^\X the next, it man is inconstant. In this, senience,' Sraveneers awerp the is arerft: They fo.e virtue; He ^.a/t. swiftly , Sea.cn^ | streets; The ship wi/s well. "I/wKey are nouns: Thos^ -ri;i;:^ri;rr^t^i^r^'\s: Ti;e ship lowered he, 'tuus you see, it is i-npossi^e |or vo to ^^^^^__X]. witbcut exorcising your .mdgmont |^ y" ';"\. ,,erstand the, tion to do this you wdl, .n a short time, ?"';"'>||, j,,,;, ..^\ioul nature and office of the different P^\'\f' '\tP/ Z^{f'} "J^t be able to properties and relations; and, in a few weeks, jou win peak and write correctly. ^ EXERCISES IN FALSE SYNTAX., Note 1, TO Rule 12. A nnun in the posses^ve case should always be distinguished by the ai.ostrophe^Xpr mar | of elision: as,The nahori's glory. ^ , ' | That "iris book is cleaner than those hoy^U^f. *3 Not correct, because the nouns ^irh.M boy:^^ "'^*' ^ssive ci" a Hi, therefore, require the apostrophe, :i;:;adb:dis?:ng;.ished; *"-'?f ^^kS" ceding Note. Repeat the nole-l ^ou.|||pp lowing examples.

I'ALSK SYNTAJX. 47 Thy ancestors virtue is not thine. A mothers tenderness and a fathers care, and natures gift's for mans advantage. Wisdoms precept's form the good mans interest and happiness. They suffer for conscience's sake. lie is reading Cowpers poems. James bought Johnsons Dictionary. Rule 4. A verb must agree with its nominative in num- ber and person. Those boys improves rapidly. The men labours in the field. Nothing delight some persons. Thou shuns the light. He dare not do it. They reads well. I know you can correct these sentences without a rule, for they all have a harsh sound, which offends the ear. I wish you, howe-ver, to adopt the habit of correcting errours by applying rules; for, byand-by, you will meet with errours in composition which you can not correct, if you are ignorant of the application of grammar rules. Now let us clearly understand this 4th P^ule. Recollect, it ap- plies to the verb, and not to the noun; therefore, in these examples the verb is ungranunatical. The noun boys., in the first sentence, is of the third person plural, and the yerhimproves is of the third per- son singTxlar; therol'ore. Rule 4th is violated, because the verb doe.? not agree with its nominative in number. It should be, "boys irrt-frovc." The verb would then be plural, and airce with its nomin- ative according to the Rule. In the fourth sentence, the verb docs not agree in person with its nominative. Tkeu is of the second per- son, and shuns is of the third. It should be, "thou skunri^sl," fir. You may correct the other sentences, and, likewise, the followiiia exercises in FALSE SYNTAX. A variety of pleasing objects charm the eye. The num Verof inhabitants of the United States e.vceod nine millions. Nothing but vain and foaligh pursuits delight some person?,



I vain our flocks and fields increase our store. When onr abundance makes us wish fornspre. t-: .jMl .- x

^^^^S^^P^W: LECTURE 111. OF A-RTZCXIES. An article is a word prefixed to nouns to limit their signification; as, a man, the woman. There are only two articles, a or an, and the, A or an is called tne indefinite article. The is called the definite article. The indefinite article Yim'its the noun to one of a kind, but to no particular one; as, a house. The definite article generally limits the noun to a particular object, or collection of objects; as, the house, the men. t From the preceding definitions yon may learn, that the; history of this simple part of speech is very short: and YOU can not be at a loss to know an article whenever you see it, for there are but two. a and the. Ji becomes an when i>laced before a word beginning with a von-el or a silent h; L, an acorn, an hour. The first letter sounded m the word hour, is the vowel o, therefore h is silent, and an is used in-stead of a.., . j. Exceptions. Il does not become an before words begin- ning with u long; as, a university, a union, a useful man: ot a;i university, i-c. But it is correct to say, an umbrel-!a, because u is short in this word. A instead ot an, is used before the word one; as, " many a one." .1 or an is called the indefinite article, because it is used in a vasruc sens3 to point out one single thing of a kind j Va"ue, you know, means unfixed or mddermined. Although this article limits the noun to one of a kind, it does not generally limit it to any particular object; as, "Give me a\ pen Brinff me an apple;" that is, any pen or any apple. J The is called the definite article, because it defines, m points out, the particular thing or tfSings referred toj* at, * In refutalion of th.s oorlrine, which is popular WiUi onr mopt fc^^^,__ "isia, Namely, Wair, Priestly, Lowth, .lohD.o.u """\^ ""f"\^v\^\""-;,\^* \^'Hj a modern sran>matical writer, and crit.c:scr ^"'l '""''' "^'> "^Vli^ muKf^ taid the S.llo>viug example.; " Two worne shall be grmdmg at tl^^ be taken and the Sther left: Two n,fn du,ll bj in the held: the o^^^iaB b^ ^ , ber lft; and, with great emphasn, he '1<"""<1^"*" J". ..i/^';, K^'n 4' "" other ,>er.on, can tell what particular women, man, mill, and I elu "' ^".re D- am In wply, we arc disposed lo advame it ?.s oiifo .n:;on. th;.t; >.....

% ARTICLES. PARSING. 4t) ^'Give me the pen; Bring me ilte applesj" meaning some particular pen and apples. A noun without any article to limit it, is generally takefc in its widest sense; as, ^'JV/an is born to trouble." The noun man, in this sentence, means mankind generally, or all men. if 1 say, all men are born to trouble, the meaning is the sam?. ^''OTES. J. The article is omitted before nouns implying the different virx tues, vicn?, passions, qualities, sciences, arts, metals, herbs, &c.; m^^^ Modesty is becoming; Falsehood is odious; Grammar is use- ful, "&c. 2. The article is not prefixed to proper nouns; as. Barren kil- led Decatur; except by way of eminence, or for the sake of distin- guishing a particular family, or when some noun is understood; as, " He is not a Franklin; lie is a Lee, or of the family of </te>



of the tigura live style, in which he pourtniys a general calamity by presenting an individual scene Each hearer, then, is to consider the scene as local, and taking place in his own neigh bourhood; consequently, his attention is directed to that particular mill which it con tains. Butperhap!= it may be urged, tliat these expressions ought to be taken in their literal sense. For the sake of argument, we will admit the assumption; and still, wr believe the application of the article to these words, comports exactly wit)) our defini lion. The phrases, "The mill and the field," de^iignate individual objects, vihieh, in con tradisUnction with others, may be considered as ^jarticwiar. The phrases, "The one ^hall be taken and the other left; He will have neither the one nor tho otiier," and the like, are idioms in our language which are too well establiTjli .-d to be rejected. But die H9e of the article even in this construction, does not appear to be inconsistent with our - definition of it; for, if we consider Ihat of two objects one is taken, this one become[^]; particular, in opposition to the one loft; and the ouo left, in this point of view, id also. a particular object. "The luoatick, the poet, and tjie lover, Are of imagination all compact." "The horse is a noble animal; Tho dog is a faithful creature." These exprcfisiun-- which are also figurative, the singular being taken for the plural and an individual foithe species, belouir to tfeat class of tropes called Synecdoche or comprtiheni\`non." The poet, the lunatic, and tho lover," (muaning^poet-i, lunatics, and lovers,) denote particular kinds or classes of men in contradiBtiuction with other classes. "The horse and the dof, " reiwesent, not any animals indiscriminately, but these two definite and particu- lar species. " And the rain de->cendcd, and the floods came, and the uimia blew, and beat upon that house, "&c; that is, t!i?tie particular thingin, namely, the lain, the flood?, Md the winds, beat upon it. Suppose our Saviour h.id suid, " And great tatamitie-4 ewe upon that house, and it fell; "we might have conjectured, for instance, that it waa shikendowii by an earthquake, or destroyed by fire, or in some other way. Uut the Mpres'\u00e1ion is not thus vague. Tile particular cau.^'-s of its destruction arc pointed out. We will close those r^" '.rks ^fcth an extract from tho late and lamented Lindlev Murray. "Thou^fb we Ihink, "says that disjuiguialied graimuarian, " that thetugu- ikbOttilyalvanvtrd, are sufficient to support our defiuitiona of the articles, it may 'i)rof>er u*iW to observe, thai aUer all which can be done to render the defi" fu'-4.i of^rarnnjar comprehensive, and accurate, men of ienrnipKaJkl sci " " ^ generally admit of exceptions; that there are peculiar aiitoinalics 'iif them; extreme ('ases wiiich may be stated; and precise boun '-U-'ajsCfjTiained. Tliese, in the liande of men more ingenius than b'tTj^lajKibly advanced against any t^ystem; tinij to tjiose who are not \.W*;.nl ill t&t' art, may appear to be material im^r&etioKs, attiibataUe (ri^, xi.il !\fot to the oatiire of the subject, "K.V.\fot\mathbb{m}\fot\"

T .30 BT\OLOGY AAD SYATAX 3. All adjedlye is frequnully placed between the prticle nnd tli; iiounw-itli which tlie article agrees; as, " A good boy; an itidustri ous man." Sometimes the adjective picoeiles the article; as, " A = "rent a man as Alexander; Such a skame.'" " 4. In referring to many individuals, when we wish to bring each separately under consideration, the indefinite article is Eometimes placed between the adjective man^/and a sinjiularnuun; as, "Where man;/ a rosebud



rears its blushing head;" "Full mani/ afouer is born to binsh unseen.", , , 5. The definite article the is frequently applied to adverbs in th, comparative or superlative (Itgree; as, "The more I examine it, tlu better I like it; I like this the least of any." You mily proceed and parse the following articles, when yon shall have committed this SYSTEMATICR ORDER OF PAUSING. The order of parsing an Article, is an arti- cle, and why'? definite or indefinite, and why? with what noun does it agree? Rule. " lie is the son of a king." The is an article, a word prefixed to a noun to limit its t signification definite, it limits the noun to a particular ob- ject it helons is to the noun "son." according to Rule 2. 'Ac '(lefinile article the belongs to nouns in tlu shisrular or plural number. . . A is an yrticle, a word placed before a noun to limit its signification indefinite, it limits the noun to one of a kind, but to no particular one it agrees with 'king," agreably to Rule 1. The article a or an agrees with nouns in the sin-sular number only. Note. By considering the original meaning of this article, lije propriety of Rule 1, win appear. A or an, (formerly written <,) tciriL' equivalent to one, any one, or some one, can not be pretixed^ to nouns in the plural numlier. Thor is, however, an exception; to this lule. .3 is placed before a plural noun when any ol niQ following adjectives come between the article and the noun -. lew, srcat mlny, 'dozen, hundred, thousand, million; as, a few men, Ihousand houses, kc. After havino- parsed these articles several times om. please to read" this third lecture <Ar* times. Then lum back, and examine the second lectun .ricftlly, obseivirto to parse every example according to the dnoption* \>f< ously given, which will prepare you to parse syslfcTi- 'ly, all the articles, nouns; and verbs in lbeliB.. i EXERCISES IN PARSING.^ '^ A bird sings. An eagle flies. MoimtaiM^rj multitude pursue pleasure. The reaper reapim-!.??-

\ ARTICLES.-PARSIXG. 51 grain. Farmers mow the cirass. Fiirmer's boys spread the hay. The clerk sell's the merchant's goods. An os-trich outruns an Arab's horse. Cecropi founded Athens, Gallileo inventeol the telescope James Macpherson trans- lated Ossian's poeuis. Sir Francis Drake circumnavigated the globe. I will now olTer a few remarks on the misapplication oi the articles, which, together with yoUr own good sense, will enable you to use them with propriety. But, before you proceed, please to answer the following q, IIESTIONS NOT ANSWEIIED IN PARSING. \ How many articles are there? When des a become an? What are the exceptions to this rule? In what sense is a noun taken, when it has no article to limit it? Before what nouns is the article omitted ?-Is the article the ever applied to adverbs?-^Repeat the order of parsing an article, What rule applies in parsing the definite article? What rule in parsing the indefinite? 'WhAi was the original meaning of a or an? When is a or an placed before o.plural noun? EXERCISES IN FALSE SYNTAX. Note to Rule I. Jin is used before a voivel or silent A, anil a before a consonant or long, and also before tlie word one. ',, Itis not only disagreeable to the ear, but, according to this note^/ improper to say, a .'ipple, a humble suppliant, an hero, an universi- fy, because the wonl apple begins with a vowel, and h is not sounded in the word humble for which reasons a should be an in the first tw9 examples; but, as the h is sounded in hero,, and the u i.s long in universili/, a ought to be prefixed to these words: thu*, mi



apple, aft humble suppliant: a hero, o university. You may ccr- tectthe following EXAMPLES. A enemy, a inkstand, a hour, an horse, an herald, an heart, an heathen, an union, a umbrella, an useful book, many an one. This is an hard saying. They met with an heavy loss. lie would not give an hat for an horse. Note to Rulf. 2. The articles are often properly omit- ted: when used they should be justly applied; as " Gold is corrupting; The sea is green; A lion is bold." It would bo improurr to say, The gold is corrupting; Sea is green " 3^^ Sra*5 is good for horses, and the wheat for men firass IS good for the horses, and wheat for the men. Grti." 'nob well. Wheat is blighted ^sv-^; ' 'I :^'>^

Tjwf 52 ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX. In the first of these sentences, we are not speaking of any patticular kind of grass or wheat, neither do we wish to limit the mean-ing to any particular crop or field of grass, or quantity of whea'; but we are speaking of grass and wheat generally, therefore thr article t/ie should !x; omitted. In the second sentence, we do not refer to any definite kind, quality, or number o(horses or men; but to horses and men generally; that is, the terms are here used to de-note whole species, therefore the article should be omitted, and the sentence should read thus, "Grass is good for horses, and wheat for men." In the third and fourth examples, we wish to limit our meaning ?o the crops of grass and wheat now on the ground, which, in con-tradistinction with the crops heretofore raised, are considered as particular objects; therefore we should s", " TKe grass looks well; The wheat is blighted." FALSE SYNTAX. Com in the garden, grows well; bnt corn in the field, does not. How does the tobacco sell? The tobacco is dear. How do you like the study of the grammar? The grammar is a pleasing study. A candid temper is proper for the man. World is wide. The man is mortal. And I persecuted this way unto the death. The earth, the air, the fire, anci 'he water, are the foi>r elements of the old philosophei*. LECTURE IV. OF ADJECTIVES. An Adjective is a word added to a noun to express' its quality; as, a good man. a bad. man. In the phrases, a good apple, a bad apple, a large apple, a imaW apple, a red apj>lc, a -white apple, a gre^n apple, n a,'cei apple, a sour apple, a Z/jf(cr a iple, a ro(/ apple.: hard apple, a soft apple, a mellow apple, txfair apple, a Ma:. apple, -an e^rly apple, a late apple, nwintf*- apple, n crab apple, .1 thorn apple, a wtll-tosted apple, an ill lookirrg ap- ple, a. ^i'ater-cored apple, you perceive that all tho?e words in italics are adjectives, because each expresses some quality or property of the noun apple, or it shows wha' kind of an apple it is of which we are spetikin(^ . The distinction between a noun and an adject"c^ttt*"" -!ear A noun is the name of a thing; but a)\ aflt"?^! e <lr notes simply the quality or property of a I hi'? This ^-^fi" cloth. In this example, the difference between tb"- wctd!'

ADJECTIVES. 53 \ noting the thing, and thnt deaoting the quality ot"if, is easily per-eive-l. V'ou certainly can not be at a loss to know, that the A'ord cloth expresses the name. and^e, the quality, of the thiyiir; oonseqiiently^jie must be an a^ljective. If I say, He is {. -aise man, a prurient man, n's.'ickcd man, or an urv- grateful man, the wnrds in jto/ics are adjectives, because c;ich expresses



a quality of the noun man. And if I say, he is a tall mail, a short man, a white man, or a black man, the words, tall, short, vahite, and 6/ct(S^are also adjectives, be- cause they tell w'lat kind of a man he is of whom 1 atn speaking, or they attribute to him some particular property, Y^iiu will frec(u;^ntly tind the adjective placed after the noun; as, "Those men are tall; A lion is bold; The wea- ther isca//; The tree is three teet thick?" Should you ever be at a loss in distinguishing an adjeci- tive from the other parts of speech, the following sign wiU enable you to tell it. Any word that will make sense with the word thing adrled, or with any other noun following it, is an adjective; as a high thing, a loin thing, a hot thing, Aculd thing, an unfinished thing, a new-fashioned thing; or a pteasa/i< prospect, a long-deserted AweWmg, an American soldier, a Greek Testament. Are these words adjectives, distant, yonder, peaceful, long-sided, double-headed? A dis-. tant object or thing, yonder hill, S,-c. They are. They wi| make sense with a noun after them. .\djectives sometime.- become adverbs. This matter will be explainer! in Lee ture VI. In parsing, you may always know an adjective by its qualifying a noun or pronoun. Most words ending in ing 9.re present participles. These/ are frequently used as adjectives; therefore most partici- ples will make sense with the addition of the word thing/or any other noun, after them; as a pleasing thing, a moving spectacle, mouldering ruins. 'In the Latin language, and many others, adjectives, like nouns, have gendei-, number and case; but in the English language, they have neither gender, person, number, dok case. These properties belong to creatures and things, und! not to their qualities; therethre gender, persoD, number, Td c?8c, ai'e'the properties of nouns, and not of adjectives. js are varied only to express tii^?r(-e<5 of cumparisoa. They have three de-' i^ties of comparison, the Positive, the Compa-r- Vve, and the Superlative. E2 I

w 4 5-4 ETYMOLOGV AND SYXTAX, The positive degree expresses the quality of an object without any increase or diminution; as, good, wise, great. The comparative degree increases or lessens the positive in signification; as, better, wiser, \(^\) greater, less wise. m The superlative degree increases or lessens i the positive to the highest or lowest degree; as, i best, ivisest, greatest, least wise. / COMPARISON OF ADJECTIVK3. i More and most form the comparative and superlative dpgrees by Increasing the positive; and less and least, by diminislnng it. Comparison by increasing the positive. Pos. Comp. Sup, great. greater, greatest. wise. wiser, wisest. holy. more holy, most holy. frugal, more frugal, most frugal. At Comparison by diminii-hing the positive. Comp, Sup. wise, less wise. least wise. holy, less holy, least holy. frugal. less frugal. least frugal* 'i NU.MERAI^ ADJECyiVES. Words used in counting, are called numeral ectives of the cardinal kind; as, one, two,., three, Jhur, twenty, fifty, S,'c. 'Words used in numbering, are called numeral \ adjectives of the ordinal kind; as, first, second. iShird, J'ourth, twentieth, fiftieth, ^c. ' Note. The words nion.v, few, and several, as they aUvaysrefer ti> i n.n indefinite number, may he properly called nunietal (idjectiiei (' the indefinite kind. .v NOTES. ^:.'f;-' I. The nmplcworj, or Positive, becomes thfeCi adding r, or er; ,and the foeitivc becomes tho S'lperlative, \ ding si, or cst, to the end of it; as, Pos. wi^e, Comp. wuei. \^(Kst; rich, richer, richfsj; bold, bojdc,-, boW^f i.'flijiSiS



ADJECTIVES.----PARSING, 55 ^ more and most, less and least, when placed liefore Uic adjective, have llic same ellect; as, l'us. wise, Coiii]), wirc wise. Sup. most wise; To?, wise, Corap. less wise, Sup. least wise. 2. M-mosy/llables nrc generally compared by adding cr and est; dissyllables, Irysyllables, &c. by more and most; as, mild, mihler, mildest; frugal, more /Vugul, most frugal; virtuous, more virtuous, most virtuous. Dissyllables ending iny; as, happy, lovely; and in le after a mate; as, able, ample; and dissyllables accented on the last syllable: as, discreet, polite; easily admit of er and est; a?, happier, hsippiesl; politer, polit<. Words of more than two sylla- bles very selilojn admit of these tenninations. ;;. When the positive emls in d, or t, preceded by a single vowel, thoconsanant is doubled in forming the comparative and superla-tive degrees; as red, redder, reddest; hot, hotter, hottest. 4. In some words the superlative is formed by adding most to the rnd of them; as nethermost, uttermost or utmost, undermost, up- permost, foremost. a. In English, as in most languages, there are some words of very common use, (in which the caprice of custom is apt togtt the bet- ter of analogy,) that are irregular in forming the degrees of com- parison; as, "Good, better, best; bad, worse, wors't; little, less, leiHt; much or many, more, most; near, nearer, nearest or next; late, later, latest or last; old, older or elder, oldest or eldest;" anii a (^\v others. C. The following adjective 3, and many others, are always in the ncperlalive degree, because, by expressing a quality in the highes*^^ ' degree, th(,7 carry in themselves a superlative signification : chiefs ettreme, perfect, right, wrong, honest, just, true, correct, sincere, rastiV immense, ceaseless, infinite, endless, unparalleled, iiniecrsal, svpreme.[^], "unlimited, omnipotent, all-icise, eternal. 7. Compound adjectives, and adjectives denoting cpialities ari-r-ing from the figure of bodies, do not admit ofcomparison; such n .eell-fornied, frost-bitten, round, square, oblong, circular, guadran<m^-'4: lar, conical, &e. " 8. The termination wA aciiled to adjectives, expresses a slight de- gree of quality below the comparative : as, black, blackish ; \:?U. snit isk. } erj/ prefixed to the comparative, expresses a :' ty, but notalways a superlative degree. Read this Lecture carefully, particularly thr. i-iQ-^'^-j^i^'^ ter which you may pause the folloiving- adjecti\("J-\rit'i\tTHi'\tcrverb, and, likewise, the examples that follt,.v. Wlfoii^' can not repeat all the definitiong and rules, iprpivd^Tffer Compendium when you parse. But before you proceed'; please to connmit the SYSTEMATICK ORDER OF PARSING. 2%p order of parsing an Adjective, is an ',-pnd why.? compare it degree of I>Hr:.scr., and why.? to what noun does i-t- a m

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56 ETYMOLOGY AN*D SYNTAX. " Tliat "rtSLI nation xsas once 'poxuerful; but now it m feeble" Grcal \s an adjective, a word adde'l to a noun to rxpres? its quality pos. great, com. greater, s^up. greatest iMs in the positive de2;ree, it expresses the quality of an object without any increase or diminution, ar.d belongs to the noun " nation." according to Rule 18. Adjectives belong to, and quahjij, nouns ex- pressed or understood. Was is a veri), a word that signifies to he neuter, it ex- presses neither



action nor passion, but being, or a state of jjeino- third person singular, because its nominative ' na- tion" is a noun of multitude conveying unity ot idea it agrees with "nation" agreeably to 'ARULE 10. A noun of muhilwle cojiveytng unity oj idea, must have a verb or pronoun agreemir zvith it i,i (/ le^singular. Poraerfal is an adjective belonging to "nation, iiccord-ing to Rule 18. Feeble belongs to " it," according to Note I.'uuder Rule 18. Is is a neuter verb agreeing with ' it, acreeably to Rnle 4. ' Bonaparte entered Russia with 400,000 men.' Four-hundred-thonsand is a numeral adjective of the car- dinal kind, it is a word used in counting, and belongs to the noun 'men," according to Note 2, under Rule 18. IVume-; rat adjectives belong to nouns, which nouns must agree xni number K,'i(A their adjectives. A If in pursing the following examples, you finci any words about which you are at a loss, you will please to turn back, and parse all the foregoing examples again. This course wiilPable you to proceed without any difficulty. :s an adverb. 0/and to are prepositions, govern-, .ouns that follow them in the objective case. EXERCISES IN PARSING. -A ocr.e- '. rt man helps indigent beggars. Studioii? s^joi.ai-s learn many, long lessons. Wealthy merchan' ^^vi-In!ve ships. The heavy ships bear large burdens; Ihi litfUter ships carry less burdens. Just poets use fiRuraiive language. Ungrammatical expressions offend a trtt^crkjc's, ear Weak critics magnify trifling errours. Jf^WttgCsi-. tion is perfect. The rabble was tumnltuou?,-'!^.*^ washed grass looks green. Shady trees form iM^tBC arbour. The setting sun mak^s a beaut.M .yy#a-^i the variegated rainbow appears more he-Av>ttfuh,r%|>,0m ondas wa* the greatest of the Theban gctieMij^iil^^p* was-next to Epaminondas. --."....<') 1

ADIECTIVES.----PARSING. 5t ^ The first fleet contained three hundred men; the second contained four thousand. Six thousand Americans repuls' ed fifteen thousand British troops. REMARKS ON ADJECTIVES AND NOUNS. All a liective used without a noun, with the definite article the before it, becomes a noun in meaning, and should be parsed as a noun; as, " The virtuous and sincere are alwajs respected; Provi- doncu rewards the g'ood, and punishes the bad;"" that is, virtuous persons, %incere persons^ &c. " The enil that men do, lives after them; " The good is oft interred with their bones." Sometimes an adjective becomes a noun, and has another adjec*' tive joined to it; as, " The chief ^oorf; the vast immense of space." Various nouns placed before other nouns, assume the nature of adjectives, as " jea fish, iron mortar, tcine vessel, gold watch, com iield, meadow ground." Withregard to the using of adjectives and other qualifying words, care must be taken, or your language will frequently amount to absurdity or nonsense. Let the following, general remark, which is better than a dozen rules, put you on your guard. Whenever you Utter a sentence, or put your pen on paper to write, weigh well in your mind, i/te meonido-of the words which you are about to employ, and thus you will avoid innumerable errours. In speaking of A man, we may say, with propriety, he is ver;/ wicked, or exceed- ingly lavish, because the terms wicked and laiiish are adjectives that admit of comparison; but it appears to be absurd to siiy,>>*ei terif honest or exceedingly just, for the words honest am\jast /t^dmit of no comparison. A man is honest or dishonest, ju'st or wi.jiu(;



tlif to can be no mettium nor excess in this respect. Fery corrrftt, teri/ incorrect: very right, i-ery wrong, are common exprff^ions; but they are absurd, anrl, therefore, they should be a^ioide^. What is not correct must be incorrect; and that which is not incorrect must becorrerf; what is noi right, mu^t be wrong; and that which is not lorong must be ri^ht. When adjectives are used by way of comparison, the objects com- pared must be set in direct opposition to each other; as, " Pope was rich, but Goldsmith was^joor." The following sentences are itiac- turntc: " Solomon was wiser than Cicero was eloquent;'" '-Thy priciples of the reformation were deeper in the prince's mind than ipbe ensilii eradicated.'"' This latter sentence contains nn compa- rin-i lit ill; neither does it convey any meaning, Again, if the Psalmist had said, " I am the wisest of my teachers," he would have spoken absurdly, because the phrase would imply, that ho wns one of his teachers. But in saying, '1 am wiser Wan .ray i^affasfj,? he does not consider himself one of them, but placBM. *- '^r^.contradistinction to them. vou proceed any further, you may answer the -TIONS NOT ANSWERED IN PARSING. -I'^i* 1-^ lile distinction between a nnun and an adjective ? -'rr nJials^fo may an adjective be known? Are partici- J^>

^ ETY."ttOLOGY AND SYNTAX, A ^IwA pies ever used as adjectives? -Does gender, person, number, or case, belong to adjectives? How are they varied >. Name the three degrees of comparison. What effect have less and least in comparing adjectives? Kepeat all the va-rious ways olforming the degrees of comparison, mentioned in tile first five Notes. Compare these adjectives, ripe, frugal mischitvous, happy, able, good, little, much, or many, near, late, oW. Name some adjectives that are always m the superlative, and never compared. Are compound ad-jectives compared? What is .said of the termmation ish, and of the sniverbs very, exceedingly, a.aA eminently! Ht- peat the order of parsing an adjective. What rule apphesi in parsing an adjective? What rule in parsing a v^erb a- o-reeing with a noun of multitude conveying unity of idea! What Note should be applied in parsing an adjective which belongs to a pronoun? What note in parsing nume- ral adjectives-? When does an adjective become a noun? What nature does a noun assume when placed before another noun? EXERCISES IN FALSE SYNTAX. Note 3, under Rule 18. Double Comparatives and 5, -^itrhtives should be avoided such as, worser, lesser, mor\ deerflr, more wickeder, &c.: chiefest, supremest, per/ectest, ri'htest; or more perfect, 7nost perfect, most supreme, to "virtue confers the most supreme dignity on man, and it nhould be .lis chiefest desire. He made the greater light to rule the day, and the le- er light to rule the niffht. . ., r . Ttie phrases, " most su | >reme-' and " cl.icfest," m the first sen- tcDce, arc incorrect, tiecause supreme and chief are in the superli, tive decree without having the superlative form 'pera.hicl win makes them double s.iperlalives. They should be written, c, icrs supreme di-nity," and his "chief desire. 'We can sav, Sne thin- is ?? than another, or rnialter than lu, -ther, because the adioctives less and smaller are in the comparatr decree; hut the ohrase, " lesser li-ht," in the second sentence is accurate. Lesser is a double corapara Uve, which, according to, preceding Note, should be avoided. Lesser is as incorrect as fo. der, r.v.der, worser. " The jmaHfr



light," would bK--, eycc|.t- able. Yon can correct the foUowin? without my as.i.tarne. The pleasures of the understanding are mort prtie, than those of imagination or sense. jj^if^ The tongue is like a race-horse, which rua*|^ .a the lesser weight it carries. S^''' V.^MI The nightingale's voice is the most sweetest Hilno.C^'sW

"% PAPtTICIPLES.---PARSING. 59 The Most Highest hath created us for his glory. He was admitted to the chieiest oflires. The first witness gave a strong pioof of the fact; the next, a more stronger still; but the last witness, the most strongest of all. He gave the fullest and the most sincere proof of the truest friendship. LECTURE V. OF TATLTXaiS'Z.-nS. A PARTictPLE is a word derived from a verb, and partakes of the nature of a verb, and also of an adjective. Participles are of three kinds, present, perfect, and compound perfect. The present part, ciple denotes present time. It always ends in hig; as, ruling. lih^ perfect participle denotes past time. In regidar verbs it always ends in erf, and corresponds exactly with the imperfect tense; as ruled. A compound perfect participle is two or more participles united; as having ruled., liaving been ruled. The term Participle comes from the Latin word panic',- pio, which signifies to partake; and this name is given to this part of speec'i, because \tpartakes- of the nature of the verb and adjective. In the first place, I will give you an explanation of this part of speech as partaking of the nature of a verb. Parti- ciples h.ive an active, passive, and neuter signification- Mf | iT likewise denote time. In all these respects they .litjiw^'te the properties of verbs. Thus, in the exam i<"fa,<|s|iioutman is croisj/n^ the river; Charles is rtatt- iii-;9k> itibourins; m ihe field; the words cross- ^ritrei Ixthouring, are present participles; and <'oife Uixit they partake of the nature of verbs, for resent actions taking place at the present time, or \$1 l? '2. a ^4

60 ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX. i actions sliil going on. Tiie nouns boatman, Charles, and man, to which tiiese participles refer, are not nominatives to them, because a participle has no nominative. In the next place I will show you how participles par-, take of the nature of adjectives. "He is a poor wretch, af- \ flicted and rfcjpived." In this sentence the perfect partici- ples afflicted and despised, belong, like arljectives, to the noun oi'retck; and, like all perfect participles, they partake of the nature of adjectives. Again, the present and perfect participles, when placed before nouns, trequently become real adjectives, and should be parsod as suchj as, a loving companion; \ flowing stream; Roaring wiads; A wilted ^ leaf; A heated imagination; Xn accomplished scholar. Id !ill these examples you perceive that the participles ex-; press some property of the nouns that follow them, there-: fore they are participial adjectives. The following illustration will enable you to distinguisl) the participle from the participhal adjectives. Participles. See the sun setting. See the moon rising. The wind is roaring. The stream sflo-ving. The vessel anchored in the bay, lost her mast. < Participial adjectives. See the setting sun. See the rising moon. Hear the roaring wind. Behold the flo-^ing stream. The anchored vessel spreads her sail. The nrese/i? participle is generally-known by its ending in ing;



as floating, mVmg, hcarm-, setting. These are de-. rived from the verbs/oca. ride, hear and see. But some) words ending in ing-are not participles; such as evenwg,^ rooming, hireling, sapling, nninteresling, unbehevmg. wi-' controling. When you parse a word ending in ing, you should always consider whether it comes from a verb or not There is such a verb as interest; hence you know that, the word interesting is a participle; but there is no such, verb as uninterest, consequently, uninteresting can not be a participle: but it is an adjective; as. an uninteresting story. You will be able very easily to distinguish ihe paiticipl* from the other parts of speech, when you shall have acqm^ ed a more, extensive knowledge of the verb. The perjtd participle will be explained in lecture XI. _i-- ^,ri2a Bymostgrammarians, every verb has three<paWci 5W assigned to it, namely, the/>rm< or actt- je, tUeper^ct^ passive, and the compound perfect. From t!;e verb love; it(|

r' mB (J;i ETVMOLOGY AND SYMAX. pie: I see a -jcjse/sailing; or, I see three vessch sailing. Vou perceive that the participle sailing refers to a singular nourfnfthe first example, and to a plural noun in the second; anfljetthc participle is in the same form in both examples. The noun vessel is in the objective case, and governed by the transitive verb see. But when a verb follows a noun, the ending of the verb varies in order to agree with the noun which is its nominative; as, the vessel sails; the vessels sail. In this place it may not be improper to notice another Rule that relates to the participle. In the sentence, "The man is beating his horse," the noun liorse is in the objective case, because it is the object of the action ex- pressed by the active transitive participle "beating," and it is governed by the participle beating, according to Rule 26. Participles have the same government as iht - erbs have from which they are derived. The principle upon which this rule is founded, is quite apparent. As a participle derived from a transitive verb, expresses the same kind of action as its verb, it necessarily follows, that the participle must govern the same case, is the verb from which it is derived. When



you shall have studied this lecture attentively, you may proceed and parse the following >xercises, con. laining five parts of speech. If, in analysing these exam- ples, you find any words which you can not parse correctly mA systematically by referring to your Compend for defini- 'bions and rules, you will plase to turn back and read over again the whole five lectures. You must exercise a little patience, and for your encouragement, permit me to re- mind you^lhat when you shall have acquired a thorougk knowledge of these five parts of speech, only fve more will remain for you to learn. i|| fcjn the following examples the words Jlo-^ing, purlin^, ^S|h6crwo-, and txunnkling, are participial adjectives. Thert audits you may omit. EXERCISES IN PARSING. Orlando left the herd grazing. The huntcri)*sr' young dcg barking. The old fox heard tlf horn sounding. Flowing rivers float long ratff. Vm streams moisten the earth's sin fare. The win appr^ ing, melts the cold snow. The slumberkg Fea^'cnlni*;; .l

\ I'ARTICIPLE^.^P VRSING. 6\$ l4ifcn nthia declining, clips kling stars adorning ^ tlie desert thistle grave, ol. hermit's min I. I'a the horizon. Man heholds the night's blue arch. The strange bending there its lonely head KEMAI^KS ONP.ARTICIPLES. Participles frequently become noim?; a, " A good vndcrstanding; Excellent writing. '.He made a good beginning, biit a bad ending.'" But, in the phrases, "That rfeM/erf city; An admired-.ui'ist; A most respected magistrate; A ;Uta.niig prospect," the participlos demtei, admired, respected, iiwl pleaiing, become adjectives, be-rame they express qualities or properties of the nouns that follow them. Participles frequently govern nouns and pronouns in the posses- sive case: " Upon Johnsoii'sg-citrt! home, I returned to the city;" " Upon God's having ended all his works," &c; " At my coming in, he said," &c.". In these examples, the nouns Johnson's an< I God's and the pronoun otj/, are in the possessive case and governed by the participles going, having, ending and coming. But perhaps, in ex- amples like these, it would be better to take the whole clause to- gether, and consider it o substantive phrase, or member of a sen-tence, in the objective case, and governed by the preposition which begins the phrase. Sec Note 2, under Rule 28. You may now answer these QUESTIONS NOT ANSWERED IN PARSING. How many kinds of participles are there? What is the ending of a present participle? What does a perfect par- ticiple denote? With what does the perfect participle of a regular verb correspond? What is a compound perfect participle? From what word is the term participle deriv- ed? Why is this part of speech thus named? Wherein does this pr-rt of speech partake of the nature of a verb? Do all perfect participles participate the properties of adjectivea? When are participles CAMed participal aijec- tives? Give examples. How may a present participle be known? Repeat the order of parsing a participle. WhiU?*;./. Rule applies in parsing a present participle? What Rule '^'' parsing a participial adjective? Do participles vary in" their ferminiations in order to agree with their subject or actor?-What Rule applies in parsing a noun the oAyecfipc COM, governed by a participle? Do participles ever be- | MK, flours? Give examples. Do participles evergoverf^ iwposr'e'isive case? Give examples.



/ LECTURE VI. OF ADVBBBS. An AdverBj is a word used to modify ihfc sense of alverb, apariiciple, an adjective, or an- etlier adverb., Recollect, an adverb ne%'er qualifies a noun. It gnali- Ees either of the four parts of speech above named, and none others. When an adverb is used to modify the sense of a verb or participle, it generally texpresses the manner, time, or place, in which tSe action is performed, or some acciden- tal circumstance respecting it. In the phrases. The man rides gracefully, awkwardly, badly, swiftly, slowly. &.c. or, I saw the man riding swiftly, slow'ly, leisurely, very fast, &c. you perceive that the words gracefully, awkwardly, very fast &c. are adverbs, qualifying the verb rides, or the par-ticiple rirftn[^], because they express the manner in which the action denoted by the verb and participle, is done. In the phrases, 'I'he man rides daily, weekly, seldom, frei quently, often, sometimes, never; or, The man rode yesterday, heretofore, lung since, long ago. recently, lately, just now; or, The man will ride soon, presently, directly, immediately, by- and-by, to-day, hereafter, yon perceive that all these words in italicks, are adverbs, qualifying the verb rides, because they express the time of the action denoted by the verb[^] Again, if I say. The man lives here, near by, yonder, re- mote, far off. somexhere, nowhere, everywhere, kc. the words in italicks are adverbs of place, because they tell where he lives. Adverbs likewise qualify adjectives, and sometimes other adverbs; as more wise, moiMvi?e; or more wisely, most wisely. 'vVhen an adverb is joined to i>n adjective or ad-verb, itigenerally expresses the degree of comparison; for adverbj, like adjectives, have degrees of comparison. Thus, in the phrase, A skilful artist, you know the adjec:,; tiv skilful is in the positive degree; but, by placing thef adverb more before the adjective, we increase the degre^ to the comparative; as, A wore skilful artist: ani4T?iST*n- ders it superlative; as. A most skilful artist. And if place more and most before other adverbs, the fca,k;ttfi safae; a* skilfully, more, skilfully, most skilfulk.^j^ii-'*-*:>

OF ADVERBS. COMPARISON OF ADVERBS. j Positive. Comparadtleij^,, Superlatk'e. soon, sooner, soonest. often. oftener, oftenest much, more, most. well. better, best. widely, more wisely, most wisely. justly. more justly, most justly. % 65 Note. Adverbs ending in ly, are compared by more and most You will generally know an adverb at sight; but some- times you will find it more difficult to be distinguished, than any other part of speech in the English language. I will, therefore, give you some signs which will assist you a lit- tle. Iviost words ending in lij are adverbs; such as polite- ly, gracefully, judiciously. Any word or short phrase that will answer to either of the questions, how? hoxso muchi Tshen? or where? is an adverb; as. The river flows rapid-. hj; He walks very fast; He has gone far away; but he will <00n return; She sings stit'ee<///>
//; They learn none at oZ,/. How, or in what manner does the river flow? Rapidly How does he walk? Very fast. Where has he gone? Far away. When will he return? Soon. How does she sing? S-jeeetty. How much do they learn? Aon? at all. From this illustration you perceive, that, if you could not teli these adverbs by the sense, you would know them by their answering to the questions. However, your better way will be to distinguish adverbs by considering the office they perform in the sentence; or by noticing their grammatical relation, or



their situation, with respect to other words. Rapidly, fast, far azoay, soon, sweetly, &c. are known to be adverbs by their qualifying the sense of verbs, "A very good pen writes extremely well."" Well, in this sentence, is known to be an adverb by its qualifying the sense of the verb writes; extremely, by its ending in ly, or by its being joined to the adverb we'd to qualify it; and very is known ag an adverb by its joining the adjective good. Expressions like these/7one at alt, agreal deal, a few days a^o, long since, when they are used to denote the manner iim of the action of verbs or participles, arc ealled ad~ wr^rhoigh very numerous, may be redoced to cer- icJa*e. F2 I

m: 66 IMHPC^iHia ETI'MOtOGY AND SYJXTAX, 1^ Of Number; as, Once, twice, thrice, &.C. 2. Of Order; as, First, secondly, lastly, tinall3',&.c. 3. Of Place; as, Her*', there, where, elsewhere, any- where, somewhere, nowhere, herein, whither, hith- er, thither, upward, downward, forward, backward, whence, thence, whithersoever, kc. 4. Of Time. Present; as. Now, to-day, &,c. Past; as, Already, hefore, lately, vesterday, hereto- fore hitherto, long fince, long ago, &,c. Future, as, To-morrow, uot yet, hereafter, henceforth, henceforward, by-and-by, instantly, presently, imme diately, straightway s, &c. Tivu iadefimte; as, Oft, often, oft-times, oftentimes, sometimes, soon, seldom, daily, weekly, monthly, year-ly, always, when, then, ever, never, again, &c. 5. Of (Quantity; as. Much, little, sufliciently, how muchf how great, enough abundantly, kc. S. Of Mamer or quality; as, Wisely, foolishly, justly, unjustly, quickly, slowly, &.C. Adverbs of quality are the most numerous kind; and they are generally formed by adding the termination ly to an adjective or a participle, or by changing U into ly; as. Bad, badly; cheerful, cheerfully; able, ably; admirable, admirably.; Of Doubt; as, perhaps, peradveuture, possibly, per- chance.; Of Affirmation; as, Verily, truly, undoubtedly, doubt-, less, certainly, yea, yes, surely, indeed, really &.c. 9. Of Negation; as. Nay, no, not, by no means, not a all, in no wise, &.C. 10. 0/ Interrogation; as, How, why, wherefore, wheth- er, &c. X\ Of Comparison; as, More, most, better, best, wor^g,; worst, less, least, very, almost, little, alike, &c. NOTES. This catalogue contains but a small portion o.' the advef^^ n our lan^naeti. 1 Many adverba are formed by a co,Tab)-)ati,on oP mepositioSa with the adverbs of place, herf, then. hcn; i. Here- j if thereof, whereof; hereto, thre*o, whereto: hteS)-, thereby, i whereby; herewith, therewith, wherewith; herein,Ihwii, A.here,^. in; thefefore, (i. e. there-for,) wherefore, (i. e. wbe. ^ en, hereon, tberewfion, tbron. wheretipoa, -^ere. . m.'t

x ADVERBS.--PARSING. en 2. (When the words therefore, consequently, accordingly, and the like, aru tiseJ in oonnexion with other coijjunctioni, they are arf. aerhs: but when they ti;)i)ear sin^^lo, they ixre conjunctions. o.fThii v/onhivkenand where, arul all others of the same nature, such as whence^ whither, whenever, lohcrtver, till, until, &c. may be properly called adverbial conjunctions, because they participate the nature both of adverbs and conjunctions; of adverbs^ as they denote the attributes either of lime or place; of conjunctions, as they conjoin sentences. I 4.\Some adverbs are composed of nouns and the letter a, used 'instead of at, on, &c. as, Aside, athirst, afoot,



asleep, aboard, ashore, abed, aground, afloat, &c. You willnow please to read this lecture four times over and read slowly and carefully, for unless you understand well the nature and character of this part of speech, you will be frequently at a loss to distinguish it from others in composition. Now do you notice, that, in this sentence which you have just read, the words slowly, carefully, zeell KoA frequently, are adverbs? And do you again observe that, in the question 1 have just put to you, the words tiow AuA just are adverbs? Exercise a little sober thought. Five minutes spent in reflection, are worth whole days oc- cupied in careless reading, n the following exercises six parts of speech are pre-sented, namely, Nouns, Verbs, Articles, Adjectives, Partici-ples, and Adverbs; and I believe you are now prepared to parse them all agreeably to the systematick order. Those words in italicks, are adverbs. SySTEM.^TICK ORDER OF PARSING. The order of parsing an Adverb, is an ad-verb, and whyf what sort? what does it giiahfy.? Rule. "My friend has reti]rned again; but his heafthiste? -jery good." ^ Again'is an adverb, a word used to modify the sense of a verb of time indefinite, it expresses a periatl of time not precisely defined it qualifies the verb " has returned V, according to Role 29. Adverbs qualify verbs, participles, adjectives, surf oilier adverbs. ' ^0.^'xrb, a word used 19 modify the sense of a a^!j<*Qn.J*'mailes the assertion negative; that is jestis* y jpOo. '5si from an ailjrmative tq a negative I

I -^i ^ ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX. ^and it qualifies the verb " i.," agreeably to Rule 29.- "";^':^r:SS: -vord used to qualify the sen. of .n adfecthe-of comparison, it compares *he adject.ve -goodj' and qualifies .t according to Rule 29. Adverb. qualify adjectives, &c. EXERCISES IN PARSING. The traveller described a lofty casile decaying gro^kal-; Fen/ few literary men ever become disImgu.shed poets. ^ke ereat Milton excels not Homer. 'Th^ Roman women Jnce ToZlily contributed their most prec.ous jewels to, "Many'smlu streams uniting, form very large rivers The riverrInza falling perpendicularly, forms a vast cataract.' UtenUve servants aLi. drive horses-.er;/ care/u/ y; negl,. s:rip^;rn:;Ji;fr;ef;:t^ovemfr.endship,^^^^^ Note Two a<lvcrbs frequently qualify one verb The adver^ presses thnc. ""^^\'',veT" he former e^^^^ number, and !S,^^^^\."a;r.n r:^:::uvelt, anO .overnea .y t.. prepoB>l.on. ^^^^ ,^,5 qN ADVERBS. 4d "*"?.V;'ft^Jn he " In t leIrme, sentence ra.re .s e^- \ am more ^\!'!S"V for it is ioine.i to a noun to qualify it; in A- dently an ^dj<^<\t'\^\"?;'!,"Xit qualifies an adjective., There latter it is an adverb. '^\=\"'^\="\"2?1 n, nmins and sometimes as advei , others.that are sometimes used as n ^m,"J ,^ ^\in, exampl, fo-daj," they =.-fladveros, because thej expr. :tC^:!i in t^ third, an ^-f >\"---^\".SI ?n short, yov. must detormne what part o.^vvv^s* jfsnse they convey,'!

\ ADVERBS.----PARSING. 69 /All iirtjective may, in all instances, be distinguished from an^orf- ferb by this rule v Any word that qualifies a noun or pronoun is an adjective, but any word that qualities a verb, participle, adjective, or niverb, is an adverb. ' IJu so/no instances the pre|)osition becomes an adverb merely by its application; as, >* He rides about; He was near falling j But do not after lay the blame on me." ' j^Adverbs seem originally to have been contrived to express com- . /(lendiously



in one word, what must otherwise have required two or more words; as, -'He acted ic7^;" for, he acted with wisdom; "pnijentli/,^" for, witli prudence; "He did it here,'" for, he diji it m this place i^^exceediiisfli/," (ar, tod ^reat degree; " often txnd seld<,m,^^ for, Trtuny, and for, few times; "^'er^," for, in an eminent rfPifrce. Before you proceer to correct the following exercises in fal\e Syntax, you may answer these QUESTIONS NOT ANSWERED IN PARSING. Does an adverb ever qualify a noun? What parts of Speech does it qualify? When an adverb qualities a verb or participle, what does it express? When an adverb quiilifies an adjective or adverb, what does it generally ex- press? Compare some adverbs By what signs may an adverb be known' Give examples. Repeat some adver- lial phrases. Name the different classes of adverbs. Re- peat some of each class Repeat some adverbs that are formed by a combination of prepositions with adverbs of place. What part of speech are the words, tiunfore, con- nquently, <S'C. ? What words are called adverUa' conjunc- tions? Why are they so called? Repeat some adverbs composed of the article a and nouns. Repeat the order of parsing an adverb What rule do you apply in parsing an adverb? Is the same word sometimes used as an adjective and sometimes as an adverb? Give examples. What is said of the word much? By what rule can you tell an ad-jective from an adverb? Do prepositions ever become ad-verbs? Give examples. For what end wereadverbs ori- ginally contrived? EXERCISES IN FALSE SYNTAX. Note 3, to Rule 29. Adjectives are sometimes impro- ^ | | eriy applied as adverbs; as, indifferent honest; excellent |I; ojiserable poor; she writes elegant; he is walking !kil?jl!el.shon!'Vbo written thus, Lidiffcrcnth/ honest, excel- fiuiierMi) poor, she writes ele^antli/, he is walking alow- jjanse artjeutiies do not express the manner o(' the abtion of vertl^ijj, aarticiplos, nor the degree of adverbs or adjectires; bnt " ktfijification'; arc denptcd by ndvcrb=. ^

to ETYMOLOGY -USD SYNTAX. Correct the following- examples, and give your reneon why they are ungrammaticiil. FALSE SYNTAX. He speaks fluent, and reasons coherent. She reads proper, and writes very neat. They once lived tolerable well, but now they are mise- rable poor. The lowering clouds are moving slow. He behaved himself submissive, and was exceeding care- Ail not to give ofl'ence. Note 4, to Rule 29. Adverbs are sometimes improp- erly used instead of adjectives; as, " The tutor addressed him in terms rather warm, but suitably to his offence." The adverb suilabiy is incorrect. It does not express the manner of the action of ihc verb " addressed, but it denotes the quality of the noun trrms understood; for which reason it should be an adjef- tive, suitable. FALSE SYNTAX. The man was slowly wandering about, solitarily and dis- tressed. He lived in a manner agreeably to his condition. The study of Syntax should be previously to that of Punctuation. He introduced himself in a manner very alrvpr/i/. Conformablfj to their vehemence of thought, was their vehemence of gesture. I enw him prtviouUj to his arrival. LECTURE Vir. \ or paEPOSiTiONS. A Prf.position is a word which serves to connect words, and show the relation between them. - K The iermpreposition is derived fro'tt the two Latin wont! pre, which signifies te/ore, and ;?07io, ft j3/i^ccc.



P~ tthm are so calle;', because they are mostly placed nouns and pronouns which they govern la the case.

^ PREPOSITIONS. 71 Tile principal prepositions are presented in the following list, which you mily now commit to meimry, and thus you will be enabled to distinguish them from other parts of speech whenever you see ihem in composition. A LIST OF TilE PREPOSITIOINS. ot- under up unto except to ttirougli (iowii acro5s excepting for above before around respecting by below behind amidst during with bi'tween off throughool concorriing in biMieath on upon unierneath notwithstandin into from among betwixt out of within I)oyontl after beside instead of without at about athwart over against ovor tni . 1 near against towards according to This list contains many words thai are sometimes used as conjunctions, and sometimes as adverbs; but when you shall have become acquainted with the nature of the prepo-silinii, and of the conjunction and adverb too, you will tind no difficulty in ascertaining to which of these classes any word belongs. By looking- again at the definition of a preposition, you will notice, that it performs a duilhh office in a sentence, namely, it connecls words, and also shows a relation betweeg them. 1 will tirst show you the use and importance of this part of speech as a coiinertive. When corn Is ripe-- October, it is gathered the tield men-^who go hill- hill baskets which they put the ears. You perceive, that in this sentence there is a total want of connexion and meaning; but let us fill up each vacancy with a preposi-tion, and the sense will be clear. " ^V^hen corn is ripe, lit October, it is gathered in the field by m<*n, who go/roj hill to hill raith baskets, into which they put the ears." From this illustration you are convinced, no donkt, that our language would be very deficient without prepositions to connect the various words of which it is composed. It would in fact, amount to nothing but nonsense. There is, however, another part of speech that performs this office, namely the conjunction. This will be explained in lecture iX. in which lecture you wdl leirn, that the nature of a lieijojition, as aconaective participle, is nearly allied fo ^^**-8t4' '-""j""'^''- 'n'he next (dace I will show you fl^;f^'>^!)itionsexpres.'i a relation between words. T&vboy's'uat iswri7er his arm. In this expression, what r*ltioii d"ps the preposition under show,? You know tha* i;

7-4 ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX. ,hat and arm are words used as signs of two subjects, or jdeas; but under is not the sign ofa thing you can think of: it is merely the sign of the re/atJo?i existing between the; two objects. Hence you may perceive, that since the word under is the sign of the relation existing between cer- tain ideas, it also expresses a relation existing between the words, hat and arm, which words are the representatives i of those ideas. I The boy holds his hat in his hand. In this sentence the I preposition in shows the relation existing between hat and hand, or the situation, or relative position, each has in re- gard to the other. And, if I say, The boy's hat is on his head, you perceive that on shows the relation between haf and head, .^gain, in the expressions, The boy threw



his hat up stairs under the bed behind the table through the window over the house across the street into the water and so on, you perceive that the several preposi- tions express the different relations existing between the hat and the other noms, stairs, bed, table, window, house, . street, and 'xater. i ^ Prepositions govern the objective case, but they do not i express an action done to some object, as an active-transi-1 tive verb or participle does. When a noun or pronoun fol-1 lows a preposition, it is in the objective case, because it is the object of the relation expressed by the preposition and not the object of an action. 1 can now give you a more extensive explanation of the objective case, than that which was given in a fonner lec- ture. I have already informed you, that the objective case expresses the object of an action or of a relation; and, also, that there are three parts of speech which govern nouns and pronouns in the objective case, namely, active-1 transitive verbs, participles derived from transitive verbs and prepositions. A noun or pronoun in the objective case, cafl | not be. at the same time, the object of an action and ol a relation. It must be either the object of an action or of relation. And I wish you particularly to remen'ber, thai whenever a noun or pronoun is governed by a transitive verb or participle, it is the object of an artion; as. The tu tor instructs hh pupils; or. The tutor is instructing hi? /rt*i pUs; but whenever a noun or pronoun is goveinettt^'X^pr^ position, it'is the object of a relation; as, TIJiP tutor gives p-opd instruction to h\ %pupils.

\ PREPOSITIONS.----PARSING. 73 Before you proceed to parse the following examples, please to review this lecture, and then the whole seven in the manner previously recommended, namely, read one or two sentences, and then look off your book and repeat them two or three times over in your mind This course will enable you to retain the most important ideas advan-ced. If you wish to proceed with ease and advantage, you must have the subject-matter of the preceding lec- tures stored in your mind. Do not consider it an unplea- sant task to comply with my requisitions, foi when you shall have learned this far, you will understand seven parts of speech; and only Arce more will remain to be learned. If you have complied with the above request, you may commit the following opler, and then proceed in parsing. ' 'SYSTEMATICK ORDER OF PARSING. The order of parsing a Preposition, is a preposition, and why? what does it connect? what relation does it show? *' He saw an antelope in the wilderness[^] In is a preposition, a word which serves to connect words, and show the relation between them it connects the words "antelope" and "wilderness" and shows the relation between them. Wilderness is a' noun, the name of a place com. the name of a sort or species neut. gend. it denotes a thing without sex third pers. spoken of sing. num. it implies iiut one and in the objective ca^e, it is the object of the nlation expressed by the preposiliop "in," and governed by it, according to Rule 31. Prepositions govern the objective case. EXERCISES IN PARSING. The allwise Creator bestowed the power of speech upou man, for the most excellent uses. Augustus heard the ora- tor pleading the client's cause, in a flow of most powerful eloquence. Fair Cynthia smiles serenely over nature's oft repose. Life's varying schemes no more distract the "ti:.-iod of man.



Septimius stabbed Pompey stand- ^Sore of Egypt. ihcLjrhta of former years glide over my soul, hke shouting meteors ovei" Arrlveo's gloomy rales, G;(.-:; ,i ^ ,-,-r.nr,* .^ - '. T--*

71 ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX. At the approach of tluy'night's swift dragons cut tht ..louds full fast; and ghosts, wandering here and thei-e, Jroop home to church yards. I, ove still pursues an ever devious race, True to the winding lineaments of grace. Note. The words my and aiul you need not parse. The noun 'meteors," following the adverb " like," is in the objective case, and .governed by unto understood, according to Note 2, under Ilule'^32. The uouu "home" is governed by to understood, accord- ing to Rule 32. REMARKS ON PREPOSITIONS AND VERBS. Participles frequently become prepositions: as, excfpting, re-specting, touching, concerning, according. " All were well txeejt A- excepting him." " .: The prepositionso/fcr, hefom, above, beneath, and many others, are, in certain situations, sometimes considered as adverbs; as, 'They liad their reward soon after;' "He died not long before;" "He dwells nfiofc;" but, in such instances, we ought to supply the noun K/ne or i)/ac after the preposition, and it will lose its adverbij iWm; as, "He died not long ic/ ore that time,'\ ic. "My cup Tuns over;" that is, over the top, brim, or something else. When two prepositions come together, the first generally be-comes an adverb; as, 'He came down Irom the hill;" "They lifted him up out of the pit." \ noun or pronoun in the objective case, is often governed by a .(reposition und-rstood; as, "Give him that book;" that is, Giye that book to him;" Ortngral was one dai^ wandering," &e. that it, on one day; " Mercy gives qljlicliona grace;" that is, Mercy givei a evace to affliction. See Note 1, under Rule 32. To be able to make a proper use of prepositions, particular at {ention is requisite. There is a peculiar propriety to be observed u the use of by and with; as, "He walks with a stafi by mooa- Jj ht;" "He was taken by stratagem, and killed uith a sword;" Put the one preposition for the other, and say, "He walks by a staff '>'/< moonlight;" "He was taken with stratagem, and killed bj a sword;" and it will appear, that the latter expressions differ from the former in signification, more than one, at first view, would be apt to imagine. Verbs are often compounded of a verb and a preposition; as, to w'^old, to u-^iAstand, to orcrlook: and this composition gives a new meanina to the verb; as, to unrferstand, to u-ttAdraw, to forgm But the'^preposition is more frequently placed after the \orb, a" ECi.arately from it, like an adverb; in which situation it dr.rs. lees affect the sense of the verb, and give it a new mraoir^{\(\)}: ii in alfiftsTances, whether the prep9sition is placed either ,:e ^r^ after the verb, if it gives a new nieaning to the verb, iiii/ji/c, sidered as a part of the verb. Thus, to cast means to ffllW,- ^ivl -aHup an acct>ftRl, sictnifles to compute it; therefore i<f i>. h pan the verb. The phriises, to fall on, to btar ovt. to gire cier, roiA'lH rery different aleanings frem what they would if tl>t pvefositir- .- |-.

\ PRO^oll.^s. 7^ en, out, am\ over, were not used. Veibs oftliis kind are calleil tompound verbs. ^ You may now answer the following QUESTIONS NOT ANSWERED IN PARSING. From what words is the tcrni preposition derived? > Why is it thus named? Repeat the list of prepositions. Name the



three parts if speech that govern nouns and pro-nouns in the objective case. When is a noun or pronoun in the objective case, the object of an action? When is it the object of a relation? Repeat the order of parsing a preposition. What rule do you apply in parsing a noun or pronoun governed by a preposition? Are participles ever used as prepositions? Give examples. Do prepositions ever appear to be adverbs? What ought to be supplied in such instances? When two prepositions come together, what part of speech do you call the first? Is a noun or pronoun ever governed by a preposition understood? Givt! examples. What is said of verbs compounded of a verb Md preposition? LECTURE VIIL OF FROITOITXTS. A Pronoun is a word used instead of a iioiiii. and generally to avoid the two frequent repe-tition of the same word. The word pronoun conaes from the two Latin words, pr,j. which meansyur, or instead of. and nomen. a name or noun. Hence you pcfceive, th-At pronoun meansyiir a nou.i, or in- Head of a noun. In the sentence, "The man is happy; he is benevolent: ^f is useful;" you perceive, that the word Ae is used in* stead of the noun ma.i; consequently he must be iipronovn. You observe, too, that, by making use of the pronoun he IS this sentence, we avoid the repetition of the noun man, ftf Wlth i* the pronoun, the sentence would be rendered i'fSt-^ "!! inan is happy; the man is benevolent; the man % looking again at the definition, yon will notice, that? ri>aPuDS; ilways stand for nouns, but they i\(> not alway*

nouns. Repetition means repeating, or mentioning the same thing again. In the sentence, " 1 come to die for my country," tlie pronouns /and my, stand for the name of the person who speaks; but they do not avoid the repetiHon of that name, because the name or noun for which the pronouns are used, is not mentioned at alK Pronouns of the third person, generally avoid the repetition of the nouns for which they stand; but pronouns of the nouns for which they stand; but pronouns of the nouns for which they stand; but pronouns of the nouns for which they stand; but pronouns of the nouns for which they stand; but pronouns of the nouns for which they stand; but pronouns of the nouns for which they stand; but pronouns of the nouns for which they stand; but pronouns of the nouns for which they stand; but pronouns of the nouns for which they stand; but pronouns of the nouns for which they stand; but pronouns of the nouns for which they stand; but pronouns of the nouns for which they stand; but pronouns of the nouns for which they stand the nouns for which the nouns for which they stand the nouns for which they stand the nouns for which they stand the nouns for which repetition of nouns, and sometimes they do not. A little further illustration of the pronoun will show you its importance, and, also, that its nature is very easily com- prehended. If we had no pronouns in our language, we should be obliged to express ourselves in this manner; " A woman went to a man, and told the man that the man was in danger of being murdered by a gang of robbers; as a gang of robbers had made preparations for attacking the jnan. The man thanked the woman for the woman's kind- ness, and, as the man was unable to defend the man's self, the man left the man's house, and went to a neighbour's." This would be a laborious style indeed; but, by the help of pronouns, we can express the same ideas with fargreater ease and conciseness: "A woman went to a man, and told ftim, that Ac was in great danger of being murdered by a gang of robbers, who had made preparations for attacking him. He thanked her for her kindness, and, as he was un-able to defend himself, he left his house and went to a neighbour's." If you look at these examples a few moments, you can not be at a loss to tell which words are pronouns; and you will observe, too, that they all stand for nouns. Tileve are three kinds of pronouns, namely, the Personal, the Adjective, and the Relative pro- noans. They are all known by the lists. 1. OF PERSONAL TUONOK Personal



Pronouns stand for Vim^jh^i)/^ iome person or thing. There are five-^-jS /, thou, he, she, it-, with their pluraljj^i^' r you, they.

PERSONAL PRONOUNS 77 To pronouns belong gender, person, number, and case. Gendek. When we speak of a man, we say, he, Ms, him; when we speak of a rvoman, we say, she, hers,her; and when we speak of a thing, we say it. Hence you perceive, that gender belongs to pronouns as well as to nouns. Example; "The general, in gratitude to the lady, offered her his hand; but slie, not knowing Aim, declined accepting t7." The pronouns his and him, in this sentence, personate or represent the nam\geiieral, they are, therefore, of the mas- culine gender; her And she personate iady, therefore, thei' are feminine; and it represents hand, for which reason it is of the neuter gender. This illustration shows, then, that pronouns must be of the same gender as the nouns are for which they stand. (But strictly speaking, Gender has respect only to the third person singtdar of the pronouns, he, she, it. He is mas-culine; she is feminine; it is neuter. You may naturally inquire, why gender is not applied ic pronouns of i\\c first and second person, as well as to those of the third. The reason is obvious. The first person, that is, the person speaking, and the second person, or the person spoken to, being at the same time the subjects of thf discourse, are supposed to be present; from which, and other circumstances, their sex is commonly known, and, therefore, the pronouns that represent these persons, need not be marked by a distinction of gender; but the third person, that is, the person or thing spoken of, being absent. and in many respects unknown, necessarily requires the pronoun that stands for it, to be marked by a distinction ol gender; especially when we are speaking of some parti- cular person or thing. In parsing, we sometimes apply gender to pronmir, oi the first and second person, and also to the plural number 'ifth* th rd person; but there does not appear to be a strict jtfi so doing, for, you ivill observe, by looking at yaxQ-.i 'jf pronouns, that these have no peculiar hideflWe their gender; therefore they have no agree- -8 thi" re*i)ec*, with-the nouns which they represen' G 2 >I



"f^&fr^ ' PERSONAL PRONOUNS.----DECLENSION. 79 DECLENSION OF THE PERSONAL PRONOUNS. FIRST PERSON. v Sing. Piur. Kom. I, we, Poss. my r mine. our or ourT.^ Obj. me. s. SECOND PERSON. \ Sing. Plur. 1 jYom. thou, ye or you, 1 Pass, thy or th ine, your or yours. ' 1 Obj. thee. you. 1 THIRD PERSON i'. Mas. Sing. Plur. .11 JVom. he. they. Poss. his, their or theirs Obj. him. them. M THIRD PERSON M Fem. Sing. Plur. \'; Kora. she, they, 1; . Poss. her, or liers. their or theirs. Obj. her. them. i THIRD PERSON, Acut. Sing. Plur. :^mn. it, they, iW^ it&, their or thep^ ei^.^*t, them. "ift>5,. NOTES. .,06B(l^i4aed to the personal pronouns, as, himseii, m} irJMiJJlitejtsdves, &o. they tire called compovndpff/^l ' fjj^ikrt: .-i'i'i in the nomiiiath e or objective case, mi i

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IIIII 80 ETYiMOLOGY AND SYNTAX. / ,- 2. You, which was formerly restricted to the plural nujiibcr, is now used, in faanliar stile, to represent either a singular or a plu. ral noun: and it is worthy of remark, that, when employed as the representative f a singular noun, this word retains its original, piu. rai/ orm.\(^\) Inattention to this peculiarity, has betrayed some wri- ters into"t)re erroneous conclusion, that, because j/ou implies unity when it-represents a singular noun, it ought, when so employed, to be coal fiecled with a singular verb; as, "When you uas here; Why il. ^ 7/ou glad? How far was i^ou from the parties?" This con- struction, however, is not supported by the best usage, nor by analo- 'gy. As this word, whetheremployed as the representafise of one person, or more than one, is always plural in form, its correspond- ent verb should also be plural. The foregoing examples ought, therefore, to have been written thus, "when you were here; Why ifcre you glad? How far iperc you from the parties? The construction, you Iras, is altogether as improper, as it would be for a speaker or writer, after introducing the plural, u-c, as the representative of himself, to put the ooriespondent verb in the sin-gular, and say, we am, or we is. Besides, even if a singular verb M'ere at all admissible after you, the use of as would still be un-grammatical, for this form of the verb is confined to the first and third persons, ffast being the second person, it would come nearer to correctness to say, you teast, than you was. Who would presume to join the singular verb of the present tense with yon, even when a single person is addressed: thus, you am, you art, or you is? Does not universal piactice, as well as grammatical pro- priety, teach us to say, you are? Why, then, should any one be so inconsistent, as so attempt to n the singular verb in the past tense with the same pronoun 1;5. The words my, thy, his, her, our, your, their, are, by many Tammarians, AcnoanitatciXpossessiveadjecliccpronouns; and it ap- nsars that they are so called, merely because they bear this name when traced into the Latin and Greek languages. But, as their always personate, or represent, nouns, in the same manner as the oth-1 or personals do, there is a greater propriety in calling them^jersonalpronouns. Example: "The lady gare the gentleman 7ier watch for/mshorse." In this sentence, Aer



personates, or stands for, the nouu lady, and his personates gentleman. This fact is clearly shown by rendering the sentence thus,"The lady gave the gentle- man the lady's watch for the gentleman's horse." 4. Mine, thine, his, hers, ours, yours, theirs, have by many res- oectable grammarians, been considered merely the possessive cases of personal pronouns; whilst, by others, they have been denomi- nated pronous or nouns in the nominative or objective case. It i believed, however, that a little attention to the nature and mean- in" of these words, will clearly show the impropriety of both thes classifications. Those who pursue the former arrangement, allege, that, in the examples, "You may imagine what kind of fnitfc thtlrs was; my plcasMres are past; hers and lyourj are tu coall^ They applaud'ed his conduct, but condemned hers and yours,^ tbe words theirs, hers, and yours, are personal pronouns in the posses-: ive case, and governed by their respective nouns understood.-*

To prove this, they construct the sentences thnf, "Yon maj jfl^

PERSONAL PRONOUNS. 'M gmc what kind of fuith their faith was j her pleasures, and your pleasures-dre to come; btit condemned her conduct and your con- Uuct;'" or thus, "You may imugine what kind of laith the faith of their was; the pleasures of her md the pleasures of you, are to come; but condemned the conduct of her and the conduct of yoQ." Hut these constructions, (both of which are correct,) prove too much for their purpose; for, as soon as we supply the nouns af-ter these words, they are resolved into personal pronouns of kindred meaning, and the nouns which ive supply: thus, tteir* becomes, their faith: hers, her pleasures; and yoUrs, your pleasures. This ev- idently gives us two words instead of, and altogether distinct from, the first; so that, in parsing their faith, we are not, in reality, ana-lyzing theirs, but two other words of which theirs is the proper re- presentative. These remarks also prove, with equal force, the ab- surdity of calling these words merely simple pronouns or noUns in the nominative or objective case. The truth is, they invariably stand for, not only the person possessing, but, also, the thing pos-sessed, which gives them a conipountf nature. They may, there- fore, bo properly denominated CoMrocND Personal Pronouns: and, as they always perform a double office in a sentence by re- presenting two other words, and, consequently, including two ca-ses, they should, like the compound relative what, be parsed as two words. Thus, in the example, "You may imagine what kind of faith theirs Wii," theirs is a compound personal pronoun, equiva- lent to their faith. Their is a pronoun, a word nsed instead of a noun; personal, it personates the persons spoken of understood; third pors. plur. numb. &c. and in the possefsive case, and gov- erned by "faith" according to Rule 12. Faith is a noun, the name of a thing; common, &c. &c., ind in the nominative ca-e to "wa-," and governs it: Rule 3. Or, if we render the sentence thus,'>You may imagine what kind of faith thefailh uftilem* was," /mVi would be in the nominative case to "was," and Uieia would be in the objective case, and governed by "of;" Rule til. Objections to my metho<I of treating this subject, will, no doubt, be made by those who assert, that a noun is understood after these words, and not represented by them. Thi-, however, is assertion without proof; for, if a noun were understood, it might be supplied. If the question be put, whose



book? and the answer be, mine, ours, hers, or theirs, tlie w^i'A book is included in suh answer. Were itn)t included, we might supply it, thus, mine book, ours book, hers mk, and so on. This, however, we can not do, for it would be jiving a double answer: but when the question is answered ova noun in the nossessive case, the word book is not included, but im- plied; h=, \Vh i=e book! John's, Richard's; that is, John's book; Richard's book. This -aewof the subject, without a parallel, except, in the com- .5ltA4K>,"> n"' precciling, I liave stated, that i **'V^V**i''yndl pronouns. What can mnie olearl my, thy, his, her,, ouriv your, and . .:.,. . , . - ------ -^ clearly ilomonstrnlfl tli*jj(>rrisiBtues ft nifpoMjjMi, Ukib tills latter constraction of thu word theirs? All ndmifc-thiit, in the rWt)Knoii, <'l%e faith of them," the word them is a personal prouoiin:"iid (or this uoiii! | n. va rej,son; It ropreseuts a noun underato.id. What then, in their, in Urn WMft'tlwirfhitb?"' Is itiiotobvioui, that, ii'them is a personal pronoun, Ibeu " - for the latter represents the saino noun as the former?

8^- ETYMOLOGY A^D SYNTAX, ponnl !f7ial!, is respectfully sulimiUeil to the publick; believing, that tho^e who approve of a critical analysis of words, will coin- oide with me. Should any still be disposed to treat these words so superficially as to rank them among the simple pronouns, let them answer the following interrogatory: If what, when com- pound, should be parsed as two words, why not mine, tlime, his, hers, (lurs, yours, and theirs? 5. Mine and thine, instead of m>/ and thy, are used in solemn style, before a word beginning with a vowel or silent A; as, "Blot out all OTiJie iniquities;" and when thus used, they are not com-ponnil. His always has the same form, whether simple or com. pound; as," Give John Ais book; That desk is/s." Her, when phiced before a noun, is in the possessive case; as. Take her hat; when standing alone, it is in the objective case; as, Give the hat 6. Others, the plural of other, is compound, and should be ana- L lyzed like mine, thine, hers, theirs, &c.; as, " pleases some men, bnt f disgusts others;" that is, disgusts other men. When you shall have studied this lecture attentively, and committed the declension of the personal pronouns, you may commit the followf ing SYSTEMATIC ORDER OF PARSING. The order of parsing a Personal Pronous, | a pronoun, and why .^'--persona!, and why.? I pprson, and why? gender and number, and why? Rule: case, and why? Rule. De-cline it. There arc many peculiarities to be observed in parsing personal pronouns in their different persons; therefore, if vovi wish ever to parse them correctly, you must pay particular attention to the manner in which the lollowmL' are analyzed. " / saw my friend." | | I is aprwnoun, a'word used instead of a noun personal it personates the person speaking, understood---hrst pc son. it denotes the speaker singular number, it \m\) u but one and in the nominative case, it represent? ti actor and subject of the verb " saw," and governs it agree ably to Rule's. The nom. case gov. the verb. Decline* first pers sing, num. nom. I, poss, my or mineji^*^*^ Plur. nom. we poss. our pr ours, obj. us. ^ -". .'.' JU?/is a pro'ifMin, a word used instead of a noiitJ~-;'f sonai, it personates the pejfson speaking, understcotl 1[^] IS



PERSONAL PRONORNS.----PARSING. 83 I f id e- ire, pay ins pers. it deootes the speaker sing. num. it implies but one and in the possessive case, it di'iiotes property or pos-session; it is governed by the noun "friend," agreeably to Kile 12. A noun or pronoun in the possessive case, is gov-nned by the noun it possesses. Declined first pers. sing, nom. 1, poss. my or mine. obj. me. Plur. nom. we, &c. ' Young man, thou hast deserted thy companion, and left Aim in distress." Thou is a pronoun, a word used instead of a noun_per- sonal, it personates 'man" second person, it repiesents the person spoken to mas. geiid. sing, num because the noun" man" is tor vvliich it stands, according to ilvLR 13. Personal pronouns must agree -siith the nouns for-which they stand in gender and number. Thou is in the nom case, it represents the actor and sub-ject of the verb "hast deserted," and governs it agreeably to Rule 3. The nom. case gov. the verb. Declined_sec. pers. sing. num. nom. thou, poss. thy or thine, obj. thee! Piur. nom.ye or you, &.C. Him is a^pronoun, a word used instead of a noun_per- sonal, it personates "companion" third pers. it repieset-.ts the person spoken f mas. gend. sing. num. because the noun "companion" is for which it stands: Rvi.e 13. Pers. pro. 4c. (Repeat the Rule.) Him is in the objective casej f. the object of the action expressed by the active transitive' verb "has left," and gnv. by it: Rulf. 20. Active tran.^. verhsgov. the obj. case. Declined third pers. mas. gend.- sing. num. nom. he, poss his, obj. him. Plur. nom. thej* poss. their or theirs, obj. tfcem. "Thrice 1 raised my voice and called the chiefs to com bat; but they dremied the force of my arm." They is a pronoun, a word used instead of a noun per sonal.it personates 'chiefs" third pers. it denotes the per-' sons spoken of mas, gend, plur, num, because the noun "chiefs" is for which it stands: Rulel3. Pers. profi. ^c. (Repeat the Rule.) It is the nom. case, it represents the I actors nd subject of the verb "dreaded," and gov. it. iKuiE ^. The nom. case gov. the verb. Declined third 1^! ^-.i"?**. gend. sing. numb. nom. he, pos. his, obj. him "|(4.<j'n- "}'. P"ss. their or theirs, obj. them .^ ftt. Wp <10 not apply gender in parsin? tlie pWlonal pro- iW<xeeptin'r tlicflurd prrson sinsrular, ifthc nouns they repre- 1rc understood; Jvnd therefore wo do not, in such instances

'^- <;^ 84 ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX. apply Rule 13. But when the noun is expressed, gender should b^ applied and lu:o Rules. EXERCISES IN PARSING. I saw a man leading his hersc slowly over the new , bridge. My friends visit me very often at my father's | office. We'improve ourselves by close application. Hor- ace, thou learoest many lessons. Charles, you, by your di|. igerce, make easy work of the task given you by your preceptor." Young ladies, you run over your lessons very carelessly. The stranger drove his horses too far in to the water, and, in so doing, he drowned them. | Grey morning rose in the east. A green narrow v^: appeared hef're us: its winding stream murmured throgli the grove. The dark host of Rothmar stood on its hanks j with their glittering spears. We fought along the vale. They fled. Rothmar sunk beneath my sword! Day was, descending in the west, when I brought his arms to Cro-; ihar. The aged hero felt them with his hands-.joy bright- ened his thoughts. Note. Horocf, CAor/es, and/ndt'es, are of the second person, and noBi. case independent: seeTui-E 5,and Note. The firstyra sused in the nom. poss. and obj. case. it personifies tharlei, therefore it is singular



in sense, although plural in lorm. In the next example, you personifies ladies, therefore it is plural-Giren is a perfect participle. You following eiven, i? governed by to nnderstood, accordinj to Note 1, under Rule 3-2. Run am is a compound verb. .4nrf is a conjunction. The first lis person- utes vale; the second its represents stream. _ , You may pow parse the following examples, containiDt COMPOUND PERSONAL PRONOUNS. "Juliet, retain her paper, and present yours.^" Yours is a compound personal pronoun, representingbotl he possessor and the thing possessed, and is equivalent te .our paper. Yovr is a pronoun, a word used mstead ot a uouo personal. it personates " Juliet" second peison, it represents the person spoken to-fem. gender, sing, num- 'ler (singular in sense, hut plural in form,) because tl* noun Juliet is for which it stands: Rule 13 Pers pro^l i/our is in the possessive case, it denotes jMiSStssif^ property. and is governed by " paper" acconittSff^ 12. Jlnomorpron. SfC. (Repeat the Rule, ftw^.M* the pronoun.) Paper is a noun, the name of a ttWr; ^ pien, the name of a ?ort of things neuter ^mr^ "f

COMPOUND PRONOUNSI PARSING. 85 m⁻¹ i liotes a thing without sex third person, spoken of sing. number, it implies but one and in the obj. case, it is the object of the action expressed by the transitive verb "pre- sent," and governed by it: Rule 20. Active-transitiveverhi trovern (he obj. case. EXERCISES IN PARSING. IuUa injured her book, and soiled mine: hers is better than mine. My friend sacrificed his fortune to secure yours: his deeds deserve reward; yours merit disgrace. Henry's labours are p^st; thine are to come. We leave your forests of beasts for ours of men. My sword and yours are kin. Note. 5Ae understood, is nominative to soiled in the first exactt- j)le; and the substautive part of mine, after than, is nom. to is un-deratoiid: Rule 35. The verbs to secure and to come have no no-minative. The pronouns mine, my, yours, thine, ice, your, ours, my, and yours, personate nouns understood. REMARKS ONTHK PRONOUN,/. This little pronoun it is one of the most troublesome words in out lanfluage. It is in great demand by writers of everj description. They use it without ceremony; either in the nominative or objective case; cither to represent one person or thing, or more tti.m one. It is applied to nouns in the masculine, feminine, or neater gender, and, very frequently, it represents a member of a sentence, a whole sentence, or a number of sentences taken in a mass. II. The pronoun it frequently represents a noun of any !,'cndet, either in the singular or plural number, which noun is considered as the cause of an elTect or event: as, " It is the man; It was lie, I believe it to be Ihcm.^" In order to show more clearly, the meanin.;; of these phrases, they may be rendered thus: 7'kat person is titip man; That person was he; I believe (Aose persons to be them. ^ 2. It is soluetimes employed to express the subject of any dis Course or inquiry; os, " It happened on a summer's day, that ma- ny people ivere assembled," i:c. That is, circumstances were ruchf or, the course of events was such, that on a summer's day, ranny people wore assembled, &c. 3. It is often used to expreea the state or condition of any per- son or thing; as, " Mow is it with jou," that is, How is your state or eoniiiion. " It rains; It freezes; It is a hard winter;" that is, The.Jt{i(ie of tliinfjs is such, that rain descends; or, A state of ;tlhlD0jsall<ii laiitexists; A state of things called



a hard winter ^Ati"*!*, Slid so on.: 4, .//sometimes represents a inembpr of a sentence, a. whole sen- ofie, ora number of sentences t;iken ii a mass; as, " ft is delight- "''<<; brothers and sisters livinj; in uninti;rnii>tf;;| love tothr V days." In order to find the uiitecedonf of the pro- ^ifl^Tjtnice, put the qurstion. What is delisihtful? "^:~*htcrs living in uninterrupted time to (he end of .' i may be easily perceiveij, that the protww^ tjt ' '| ,'n .

'-4, 86 ETYMOLOGY AND SYKTAX, stands for all that part of the sentence expressed iji ijatickt: and tli sentence ill admit of the following construction; "To see bro- thers and sisters living in uninterruptijd love to the end of tbcir days, is delightful." II. OF ADJECTIVE PRONOUNS. Adjective Pronouns, or Pronominal Ad- jectives, are of a mixed nature, participating the properties both of pronouns and adjectnes. They are so called because, like adjectives, they generally belong to nouns. Adjective pronouns may be divided into three Sorts; the distributive hedemonstrative, and the indefinite. They are also known by the lists. I. The distributive adjective pronouns are those that denote the persons or things that make up a number, each taken separately and s-ingl). List: each, every, either, and sometimes neither; as, " Each of his brothers is in a fa-vourable situation:"." Evcrij man must account for himself;" " JVeither of them is industrious," Hack relates (o two or more personc or things, and signifies either tif the two, or every one of any number taken separately. Every relates to aeveral persons or things, and siguifies each OBe,,;, of the inall talienspparataly. -. TEither rela'es to tn-o persons o.- thin;- taken separately, and oignifies the one or the ,>ther. " Eiih:r of the M/se," is an improper expression. It should be "any of the three." JVcitker imports no' either; that is, not one nor the other; a, " A'eilher of my friends was there." When an allusion is made to more than Irjo, none should be used instead of neither; as, " ^^me of my friends was there." IT. The demonstrative are those which pre cisely point out the subject to which they r^^ late. List: this and that, and their pUTialp.,?/V and those, !aiiad former and latter; as^;'*^|3P^ true charily; that is only its image."' ' This and Oiese refer to the nearest persons o " ~.e to the moi.t distant t as, " These goods an .</je indicate the latter, or last meal

ADJECTIVE PRONOUNS. 8^ the former, or first mentioned; as, "Bolh wealth aDi poverli/ are temptations; that tends to excite pride, t/jisdiscontent." "Some place the bliss in action, some in ease." "Tviose call it pleasure, and contentment, tliese.'^ Thei/, t/inae. As it is the office of the personal tlicy to represent ^ noun previously introduced to our notice^ there appears to be a slight departure from anuloy in the following application of it: "They who seek after wisilom, are sine to find her: They that sow in tears, sometimes reap in joy." This usage, however, is well established, and the;/, in such constructions, is generally employcil in preference to those. III. The indefinite are those which express their subjects in an indefinite or general man- ner. List: some, other, any, one, all, such, both, same, another, none. Of these, one and other are dechned like nouns. Another is declined, but wants the plural. One, other, and none, arc used both in the singular and plural



number, as, "One ought to know one's own mind; The great ones of the world; "He pleases ojme men, but he disgusts others. JVone is so deaf as he that will not hear; JS'dne of those are equal to these." Where any of the adjective pronouns belong to nouns under- stood, they may be parsed either as adjective pronouns agreeing with their respective nouns understood, or as adjective pronouns '.tsed as nouns; and when parsed in the manner last mentioned, they have a case like other nouns; as, "You may ttike either. He is pleased with this book, but he dislikes that; MI have sinned, buf tome have repented." When any of these words calld Adjective Pronouns, stand for, or represent nouns, they are not adjective pronouns, hnt pronouns of the distributive, demonstrative, or indefinite kind; .as, "The great ones of the world have their failniffs;" "Some men increase in wealtli, while (0^^|r| decrease." Wfj^jati' <>Des." in the preceding example, does nr.!, J^ji?^// "OU" understood. If it did, we could supply tl^i^^ijig* ^'le meaning is not "the great one men, nor "uerefore one is not an adjective pronoun; bul 7 is, 'The great men of the world," thereSore joMn of the indefinite kind, representing ffef j.i'iiP ^"iffetstood, and it ought to be parsed like a j.rr^ i;

wt m ETYMOLOGY AAD STt>TAX< sonal pronoun. The word oihtn\(^1\) in the next example, is a Gompound pronoun, equivalent to oihtr men; and should be parsed like mine, thine, 4-c. See Notes 4th, and 6th, pages 80, 82. 1 will now parse two pronouns, and then present some examples for you to analyze. It', in parsing the following exercises, you should be at a loss for definitions and rules, please to refer to the compendium. But before you pro- ceed, you may commit the following SYSTEMATICK ORDER OF PARSING. The order of parsing an Adjective PRONotN, is an adjective pronoun, and why? distribu-tive, demonstrative, or indefinite, and why? to what noun does it belongs or with what does it agree? flule-. " One man instructs many others."" One is an adjective pronoun, it participates the propeiv lies both of a pronoun and adjective indefinite, it express^ es its subject in an indefinite or general manner, and be-longs to the noun "man," according to KuLF. 19. Adjective pronouns belong to nouns, expressed ir understooil. Others is a compound pronoun, including both an adjec- f!, tive prenoun and a noun, and is equivalent to, other men. S Other is an adjective pronoun, it participates the proper-ties both of a pronoun and adjective indefinite, it express- es its subject in an indefinite manner, and belongs to men: K!e 19. (Repeat the rule.) Men is a noun, a name deno-ting persons common, &.C. (parse it in full;) and in the objective case, it is the object of the action expressed by the , transitive verb ' instructs," and gov. by it: Rule 20. Aciivt-J^ r:,sit!re vcrLs, fcc. See Notes 4ih, and 6ih, page., CO, 82.|: " Thvse hooks are trane."" I'/iose is an adjective pronoun, it part-^kcr "^^^r.^^^\PW-f both of a xro. and adj. demonstrative, it iii | ^^.J! | "in.; out the subject to which it relaies and agre^spTs- nouE" books" iu the plural nnmler. accordtpj^^^jfft UDde.i Rule ID; JidjcHive pronouns must ^^' -vHh thtdr r.oiXri^. 4.,

^^. RELATIVE PRONOttNS. 8^ Mine is a compound personal pronoun, including both"the possessor and the thing possessed, and is equivalent to, my books. JWy is a pron. a word used instead of



a noun per- sonal, it stands for the name of the person speakino- first person, it denotes the speaker sing, number, it Implies but one and in the pos. case, it denotes possession or property, and is gov. by "books" according to Rule 12. (Repeat the Rule, and decline the pronoun.) Books is a noun, the name of a thing common, &c. (parse it in full;) and in the non\mative case after " are," according to Rule 21. The ver)b to be admits the same case after it as before it. .' EXERCISES IN PARSING. Each individual (ills a space in creation. Every mai. helps a little. These men rank among the great ones of the world. Tl>at book belongs to the tutor, this belongs to me. Some men labour, others labour not; the former in crease in wealth, the latter decrease. The boy wounded the old bird, and stole the young ones. None performs his duty too well. None of those poor wretches complain*^;; their miserable lot. C^" Note. In parsing the (lisIribiitiTe pronominal adjecliTe?. iVp'ir Lunder Rule 19, should be applied. III. OF RELATIVE PRONOUNS. Relative Pronouns 'are such as relate, ic general, to some word or phrase going before, which is called the antecedent. They are u^ho. which, and Ihaf. The word antecedent, comes from the two Latin words inte, before, and cedu, to go. Hence you perceive, that an tecedont means goinij before; thus, "The majj is"iapv a/to lives virtuously; This is the lady v^ho rcUfiy^^v wants; S'Aou wAo lovest wisdom, &c. We ti'Ao speaiS from experience," &-c. The relative who, in these sentences reliiUeSto the several words, man, laj.y, thou and ue. which !^ar*^6.,observe, come before the relative: they are I **cimrly called antecedents. ' I I 'vp .in not varied on account of gender, person, likfe'a personMI pronoun. When we use a per- , < . '."..^speaking ofaman, we say Ae, and of "a)(|| |!^*^f^Pfpeaking of one person or thing, we use a

90 ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX, singular pronofln, of more than one, a plural, and so on but there is no such variation of the relative. Who, in the first of the preceding examples, relates to an antecedent of the mas gend. third pers. sing.; in the second, the antecedent is of the fern. gend.; in the third, it is of the second pers.; and in ihe tourth, it is of the first pers. plur. num.; and, yet, the relative is in the same form in each example. Hence you perceive, that, strictly speaking, gender, person, and number, do not be Ung to relative?. When the re-lative is employed as the nominative to a verb, the verb should always agree in person and number with the ante- eedenttQ the relative. However, in conformity (to our pre-decessors,) as an act of humble, passive obedience, we will apply these properties to the relative, and say, Relative pronouns agree with their antecedents, ia gen- uer, person, and number. Perhaps yeu are ready to inquire, why we assign to any part of speech, properties that do not belong to it. This inconsistency arises from the imperfections of our language, Jo which imperfections we are often compelled to accom- modate the rules of grammar. The correctness of this re- mark may be illustrated by a reference to the conjugation of the verb. When the verb love, for instance, is placed af- ter /, it is of the first person, and singular number; as, 1 love; when preceded by we, we say it is first person, plur, SIS, we love; second pers. plur. you love; third person, i)lur. they love; and yet, in these three latter examples, the form of the verb is not varied from the first person sin-fl-ular. To say, then, that the verb agrees in number ad person with



Its various nominatives, in examples like these IS assigning to it properties which it can not justly claia Whenlhe termination of the verb is not varied on accouDl of its nominative, there is neither agreement nor disagree- ment, any more than there is in a preposition or a conjuno tion- hut, in the conjugation, I love, thou lovst, he lovei, the ao-reement of the verb with its nominative is pcrfc4 Who and That. Who is applied to persons, which to'^^ff^^i brutes; as," He is a friend who is faith^^-flv versity; The bird which sung W) *..x*^J^^^ flown; This is the tree which pifodiicfe | ^^i |

5yT^i^^ RELATIVE PRONOUNS. 91 Thai, as a relative, is often used to prevent tlie ^00 frequent repetition of loho and which. It is applied both to persons and things; as, "He that acts wisely deserves praise; Modesty it a quality that highly adorns a woman." ^'OTES. 1. Who should never be applied to animals. The following ap-plication of it is erroneous "He is like a beast of nrev, loho de- stroys without pitj." It should be, that destroys, &c. 2. Who should not be applied to children. It is incorrect to say "The child u-hom we have just seen," ic. It should be "The ctild WoJ we have just seen." ' 3. Which may be applied to persons when we wish to distinguish one person of two, or a pj^ticular person among a number of others as, ";f-7i!f/t of the twoi TfAic/t of them is he?" ' 4. That, in preferenca to who or which, is applied to persons when they aie quahhed by an adjective in tlie superlative decree, or by the pronomimil adjective same; as, "Charles XII king of Sweden was one of Ibcgreatest madmen that the world ever saw - lie is thI same man that we saw before." 5. T/iat is employed after the interrogative tc/,o,in cases like the ed t7s"" WhottaHias any sense of religion, would have argu- When the word ever or soevcris annexed to a relative pronoun, the combination is called a compound pronoun; as whoever or whosoever, whichever or whichsoever, whatever, or what- soever. Declension of the Relative Pronouns. SINGULAR AND PLURAL. ^'om. who, Poss. whose, Obj. whom whoever, "whosever, "whomever whosoever, "whosesoever, "whomsoever. ^ Wh.ich and that are indeclihilibte, except that whose ,s I sometimes used as the possessive case or" which;' at:, "fs'' other doctrine Tn-hose followers-are punished<";.>! followers o/aAicA are punished. The use of .!^*tnse has obtained amon^ our best writers^ but the i;.liOn IS not to be recotnmeii.led, for it is a d^arture plain principle of grammar, namely, who whose in their application, should be contined to rational pi

^s^w 92 ETYSrOLOGY AJJD SYNTAX. I .lil^: That may be used as two kinds of a pronoun, and as a (ionjunction, depending on the office which it performs in the sentence. Tkat is a relative only when it can be changed to acAo or tc/u'cA without destroying the sense; as, "They that (who) reprove us, may be our best friends; from every Ihing trial (which) you see, derive instruction." That is a demonstrative adjective pronoun, when it belongs to, or points out, some particular noun, either expressed or implied; as," He- turn that book; That belongs to me; Give nie (/ia(." When that is neither a relative nor an adjective pronoun, it is a conjunction; as, "Take care Mat every day be well em- ployed." The word that in this last sentence, can not be changed to xcho or v:hich without destroying the sense,



therefore you know it is not a relative pronoun; neither docs it point out any particular noun, for which reason yon know it is not an adjective pronoun; but it connects the sentence, therefore it is a conjunction. ifvou pay particular attention to this elucidation of the Avord' that, you will find no ditTiculty in parsing it. When it is a relative or an adjective pronoun, it may be known by the signs given; and whenever these signs will not apply to it. you know it is a conjunction. Soriie n riifrs are apt to make too free a use of this word. 1 will "ive you one example of affronted that, which niay serve as a caution. 'J'he tutor said, in speaking of the word, that, tint that that that that lady parsed was not the that thai llwt gentlemen requested her to analyze. This sentence, though, rendered inelegant by a bad choice of words, IS strictly grammatical. The first that is a noun; the second, a conjunction; the third, an adjective pronouB; the f lurth, a noun; the fifth, a relative pronoun; the sixth; an adjective pronoun; the seventh, a noun; the eighth, a relative pronoun; and the ninth, an adjective pronoun. Trie meaning of the sentence will be more obvious, if ren- dered thus; The tutor said, in speaking of the wjrd that, that that that ixhich tiiat lady pa.sed, was not the """ thich that gentleman requested her to analyze. WHAT. JVhat is generally a compound relaij^\!! chulins: both the antect dent; Hid tite!**1^\"" and is equivalent to that which; 'dn.

RELATIVE PRONOUNS. 93 ibhat I wanted; that is, the thing which I wanted What may be used as three kinds of a pronoun, and a an interjection. When it is equivalent to that vchich, the thing which, or those things uhich, it is a corapound relative, because it includes both the antecedent and the relative; as, "1 will try luhat (that which) can be found in female delicacy; W7m(you recollect with most pleasure, are the virtuous actions of your past life;" that is, those things Tshich you recollect, &c. When what is a compound relative, you must always parse it as tivo words; that is, you must parse the aiitece- dentpartas a noun, and give it a case; the relative part you may analyze like any other relative, giving it a case likewise. In the first of the preceding examples, that, th& antecedent part of what, is in the obj. case, governed by the verb'-will try;" a7o/i, the relative part, is in the nora. case to "can be found." "I have heard what (i. e. that which, or the thing zahich) has been alleged." Whoever and whosoever are also compound relatives, and should be parsed like the compound tt-Aiaf; as, "Whoever lakes that oath, is bound to enforce the laws." In this sen-tence, a'Aocrer is equivalent to Ae Tiho,or. the man who, thu8,"//e who takes that oath, is bound." &r. Who, which, and what, when used in asking questions, are called interrogative pronouns, or relatives of the interroga- tive kind; as, " Who is he? Which is the person? What nve you doing?" Interrogative pronouns have no antecedent; but they re- late to the word or phrase which is the answer to the ques- tion, for their subsequent; as, " Whom did you see? ' "he;<r - ceptor; What have you done? JVolhing." Antecedent and subsequent are opposed to each other in signification. An- tecedent rficanspreceiling, or going before; and subsequent oeans following, or coming after. What, when wie^Laf a ioterciigative, is never compound. '/'^^i- ' iJigs well as that, when joined to a noun, is arif'iflf- ^lp;()nonn, in which situation it has no case, and parsed like any other adjective juoooun; as,



i?<:ry the vicious endure! What havoc hast thoa I monster, sin!" !iid which, when joined to nouns in asking question?, iiODiinated interrogative pronominal adjectives; as 4 i/lff-f'i

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u ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX. " What man is that? Which road did he take V jykat and which are, in reality, always interrogative pronominal ad-jectives when used in asking questions, for, if their nouns are not ex|)ressed, they are implied; as, "ffAai are you doing? Which is the person?" that is, What act or what deed? \\h'\ch individual, or which person is the person? IVhat, whatever, and whalsoever, which, whichever, ar.d oohichsoever, in constructions like the following, are com-pound pronouns, but not compound relatives; as, "In -whai character Butler was admitted, is unknown; Give him iAoi name you choose; Nature's care largely endows -whatmt happy man will deign to use her treasures; Let him take which course, or, whichever course he will." These senten- ces may be rendered thus: "That character, or, the charjic- tei in m.'/tic/i Butler was admitted, isunknown; Give him that name, or, the name which you choose; Nature's careen- dows that happy man who will deign, &c.; Let him take tha course, or the course which he will." A compound relative necessarily includes both an antecedent and a relative. These compounds, you will notice, do not include antece- dents, the first part of each word being the article Ae,or the adjective pronoun, that; therefore they can not proper- ly be denominated compound relatives. With regard to the word ever annexed to these pronouns, it is a singukt fact, that, as soon as we analyze the word to which it I> subjoined, ever is entirely excluded from the sentence. What is sometimes u'ed as an interjection; as." Rut mAa(! is thy servant a dog, that he should do this! What! rob js of our riffht of suffrage, and then shut us up in dungeomr You have now come to the most formidable obstacle, otif! may so speak, to the most rugged eminence in the pathol grammatical science; but be not disheartened, for.it you can get safely over this, your future course will tae interruplei with (inly here and there a gentle elevation. It will require close application, and a great deal of sober thinking gain a clear conception of the nature of the relative nouns, particularly the compound relative?,.whiclin | | ^ easily comprehended by the young learner, ".sthi* VW-S ture is a very important one, it becomes nccessrin' f** to read it carefully four or live times over hefov-if/f^ _! cecd to commit the following order. Whenever > Jw you may spread the compendium before you, if yo*. | a n, (I, it til K li m fo; bei ta m

RELATIVE PRONOUNS.----PARSING. 95 .SYSTEMATICK ORDER OF PARSING. 'The order o/'parsmg" a Relative ^Pronoun, is a prono\in and why? relative, and why? gender, person, and number, and why? tKule; case, and why? Mule. ^^cline it. " This is the man wlioin we saw." Wliom is a pronoun, a word used instead of a noun relative, it relates to 'man'" for its antecedent mas. gen. third pe(s. sing. num. because the antecedent "man" is with wiich it agrees, according to Rule 14. Relative pronouns agree-ji'ith their antecedent* a gender, person, and mimber. M'hom)S in the objective



case, the object of the action expressed by the artive-tran- r sitiveverb "saw," and governed by it agreeably to I Rule 16. When a nominative comes betneen the relative I md the verb, the relative is governed by ihefnilo-jcing verb, or smt other -word in its o-jcn member of the sentence. Whom, in the objective case, is placed before the verb that governs it, according to Note 1; under Rule 16. (Repeat the Note, and decline who.) " From what is recorded, he appears," &p. Mat is a comp. rel. pron. including both the antecedent Ml! the relative, and is equivalent to that which, or the thing iW. Thing, the antecedeiit part of what, is a noun, the MBeof a thing com. the name of a species neuter gen-Hit has no sex third person, spoken of sing, number, Implies but one and in the obj. case, it is the object of lie relation expressed by the prep. " from," and gov. bv it: Il^31. (Repeal the Rule, and every other Rule to which Ireftj-.) 7ac/.. the relative part of what, is a pronoun, a Mrdosed ins*ad of a noun relative, it relates lo " thing" fw its antecedent neut. gender, third person, sing, num- I*f,b ^u?e the antecedent "thing" is with which it agrees HeariliD^to Rcle 14. Rel. p,-on., &c. M'hich h in the to the verb, " is recorded," agreeably to S. Tlt^ relative is the nominoHve cast to the verS^ ^nfjtive comes bet-vefn it and the verb. ,,,t^ffc<have-her has a guestion it *^:- ^A

^^A "^,S^ 96 ETYMOLOGY AKD SYNTAX, refers to the word " nothing" for its subsequent, according to IU'LE 17. When the ret. pron. is of the vUerrng. kind, ^ refers to the word or phrase containing the ansn-cr to the gves- tio,i,for its subsequent, which subsequent must agree m case with the interrogative. What is of the neut. gen. third per. sine because the subseq.ient "nothing" is with which it aerees-RcLE 14. fici. pron. ajree, &c It is in the object-live case, the object of the action, of the active iransitive verb " have learned," and gov. by it, agreeably to Kule 16, When a nom. S,-c. See Notk 1. under the Kule Hemuik This method of analyzing the interrogative a.; ia, is in perfect accordance with the doctrine of our most popular grammarians on this subject; but what, in the above example, is, in reality, an adjective pronoun of the inter- roffative kind, belonging to a noun undeistood, which noun is the proper object of the action, of the transitive verb "have learned; thus. What lesson yihat thing have yot learned?" See page 92. Note 1. You need not apply gen. pers. and nnmb. to the intei- locative when the answer to the question is not expressed. 5. When a relative, or iiitcrro'^ative pron. relates to a phras ,r whole sentence, it is always of the neuter sender. 3, That, when used as a relative, is parsed precisely like incllative which. EXERCISES IN PARSING. The man who instructsyou, labours faithfully. Thehoj whom I instruct, learns well. The lady whose house occupy, bestows many charities. That modesty which bijb- y aiiorns a woman, she possesses. lie that acts wisely dt serves praise. This is the tree which produces no fmil, I believe v.hat he says. He speaks what he knows Whatever purifies the heart, also fortines il. What doe .hou? Nothing. What book have you? A poem. Wbw hat have vou? John's. Who does that work? Henry W seest thoiv? To whom gave you the present? Which pa did he take? Whom ye igi; orantly worship, him deckn' unto you. 1 heard what he said. George, vou may. " sue whatever science suits your taste. Elaj^, (^-* ever



pattern pleas.'s you best. Whoeve- $^x-cj'^f >'$ yepublick forsake-herinoral and literarv :: .. 1. ' 1 I < 1... __I-___. ..- f..- .A.a' g * The sc Q Otfwi

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PRONOUN* OUESTIONS. 97 oehold her liberties prostrated. Whosoever, therefore, i?ili be a friend of the world, is the enem[^] of God. NOTE. The nominative case is frequently placed alter the verb, anil the objective case, before the verb that governs it. Whom, in every sentence except one, house, modesty, book, hat, pen, him, the third /(/, and which, the relative part of the tirst tuo uhats, arc all in the objective case, and governed bi the several verbs that Ibl- loiv them. See Rule 16, anil Note 1. Tree is nom. after is, ac- cording to Rule'21 Thing, the antecedent part of whatever, is iiom. to" fortifies;" which, the relative part, is nom. to "purities." Ao/Aiftj is governed by do, and poeiu, bj have, understood. Hen-ri/is nominative to does unde Intuoi}. Whose and John's are gov-erned according to Rule 12. /, tliou, you, him,, inc. represent Doiins understood. Him, in the last sentence, is governed by rfe-dare, and /is nominative to declare. George and Elisa are in the nominative case imiependent: Rule 5. " Whatever science," is equivalent to, that science which suit^ your taste; " whichever pattern:" i. e. that pattern which pleases you best. Whoever is a compound relative; he, the antecedent part, is nominative to "will behold." Take agrees with you understood. Forsake is in the in-finitive mood after "see: Rule 25. REMARKS ON RELATIVE PRONOUNS. Which sometimes relates to a member of a sentence, or to a whole sentence, for its antecedent: as, We are required to fear Old and keep his commandments, which is the whole duty of man." What is the' whole duty of man! "To fear God and keep his commandments:" therefore, this phrase is the antecedent to which. The conjunction as, when it follows such, many, or sam[^], is fre- quently denominated a relative pronoun; as, "1 am pleased with such as have a refined taste;" that is, with those who, or, them xhohave, &c. " Let such as presume to advise others, look well t:> their own comluct;" that is, Let those, or them who presume, &c. "Wimonv as were ordained to eternal life, believed;" that is, tliey, OwK, or all who were ordained,-believed. "He exhibited the samt testutioiiials as were adduced on a former occasion;" that is, those testimonials lo/iic/t were adduced, icv. But in examples like these, ifwe supply the ellipsis, which a critical analysis requires us to io, as will be fonnil to be a conjunction; thus, "I am pleased witli mk persons, as those p> rsons are who have a refined taste; Let such persms, as tlwse persons art who presume," &c. QUESTIONS NOT ANSWERED IN PARSING. From what words is the term pronoun derived? Do pronolins always avoid the repetition of nouns? Name the three kinds of pronouns. How many personal pronouns are there? Uepe:it them. Wh^t belong to pronouns?_Is Wider strictly spetiking. applied to all the per.sonal pro- P> s'^'> which of them is it applied? Whicii of the ronouns have no pernliar termination to denote :^r? How mativ persons have pronouns? Speak . :.. ..rf>ir'lifi'erent persons How many number? have ;:.'iM!s" How many cases? What are they? Decline 1 i Ml 'h



^^r ."t'S*'5'^7 8 ETYMOLOGY AB SYNTAX, # all the personal pronoun?. When seZ/is added to the pet -oiial pronouns, what are tliev called, and how aie they >iscd? When is you singular in sense?-Is it ever singular in form? Why are the words mi/, thy, liis. her. ovr, your, their, called personal pronouns? Why arc the words, mine, rliinc, his, liers, ours, yours, theirs, denominated comjionnd p.crs. pron.? How do you parse these compounds? What ts said of others? Kepeat the order of parsing a personal pronoun. What rule do you apply in parsing a pronoun of? he first person, and in the nom. case? What Ilulc when the pronoun is in the possessive case? What Rules apply in parsing personal pronouns of the second and third per- son? What Rules in parsing the compounds, i/ours, tmrs, mine. &c. What is said of the pronoun it? Why are adjective pronouns so called? Name the three iiinds. What does each relate to? To what does every re- i-ate? To what does ei(/(er relate? What does neither im-port? To what do this nad these refer? Give examples. To i\hat do that und those refer? Give examples. Re-peat; iil the adjective prononns. When adj. j)ron, belong fo nouns understood, how aie they parsed? When they >!tan(l for, or represent, nouns, what are they called? Giv examples. Repeat the order of parsing an adj. pron What'lluie do you apply in parsing the indefinite adj. pro- nouns? What Notes, in parsing the distributives and dc- siuMi^tratives? <, , What are relative pronouns? Repeat them. From what words is the term antecedent derived? What does antecedent mean? Are relatives varied on account of gen- der, person, or number? To what are zisho and irhich ap-plied? To what is that applied? Should a-Ao ever heap-ilied to animals or children? In what instances may aAic| be applied to persons? Decline the rel. pronouns. Ca./irc/i and JfeaHiP declined? is that ever used as thrM)nirts ofspeoi-h? 'ive example?. What part of speed) s the word ihat?~ Is ti-hat ever used as three kinds c.ln pronoun2 Give examples. What is said of wAsever' What words Mfensed asiiilerrogative pronoufli:W;Givt ampies. Wlien are the words, zc/faf and r^a^t|Si|it^^ pron.? \5^li^'are they called interrogative'?^l^!'' adiectiv^?^Wbat is sid of whatever and tcMitllrt'''' Ti'/.a/ever used as an interjection? Give cxh pea (he order of parsing a rel. pron. What K apply in parsing a relative? What Rules in paTSi

PRDNOTJNS.----FALSE SYNTAX. 9y pounrl relative? What Rules in par*ing an interrogative? Does tlie relative which ever relate to a sentence tor its anteceilent? When rioes the conjunction as t.ecome a re- lative? Give examples. EXEKCISES IN FALSE SYNTAX. Note I,to IUIk 13. When a noun or pronoun is the subject ol'a verb, it must be in the nominative case. iViio will go? Ilim and 1. How does thee do? is thee ne,;?, .v. v " ilim and I;" not proper, bccniie the pronoun him is the sub- ice of die verb will iio un.lerilooil, therefore lum shouki be lu the Lu uitivecase,A6-,..ocordi..gto tbc above .Note. (ii'^^P^'." Note) Hn uikl I arc connected by the conjunction anrf, and Mm IS in the obi. case, and /in the nom., therefore Rule U-d, is vi- r.V 1 (-Repeat the rule.) In the second and third examip es, thee shoud'be Mom, according to the NorE. The verbs, rfoes and u, ar odhe third person, and the nom. thou is second, lor whic.i reason the verbs should be of the second person, (i5 do and ari, ai^reeably """-FALSE SYNTAX. Him and me went to town yesterday. Thee must be attentive. Him who is careless,



will not improve. They can write as well as me. This is the man whom was ex- pected. Her and I deserve esteem. 1 have made greater proficiency than him. Whom, of all my acquaintances, do you think was there. Whom, for the sake of his important services, had an otfice of honour bestowed upon him. Note 2, to Rule 13. Personal pronouns being used to apply the place of nouns, should not be einiiloyed 'in the same part of the sentence with the noun which they reprc sent. FALSE SYNTAX. The men they are there. I saw him the king. Our cause it is just. Many words they darken speech. That noble general who hail gained so many victories, he died, at last, in prison. Who, instead of going about doing good, tbcy arc continually doing evil. ' lueaoh of the preceding examples, the personal pronoun shoalci bt omitted, according t'> Note 2. Note 3, to Rule 13. A personal pronoun in ihe objcc- i iM-asCtShbuld not be used instead of these and those. FALSE SYNTAX. . jMigiovi'.them papers from the desk. Give me them ftga.' Uive them men their discharge. Observe them Which of them two persons deserves roosi se examples, Irioss should be used in place of them. Tifc I | 1 ' '^t

100 ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX, use of the personal them, in such constructions, yirescnts two olijew tive" after one verb or preposition. This is a solecism which maj he avoided bj- employing au adjective prtnoun in its stead. LECTURE IX. OF CONJVIVCTZOITS. A Conjunction is a part of speech that is chiefly used 19 connect sentees, joining two er more simple sentences into one compound s'entence: it sometinies connects only words; as, " Thou ared he are happy, because you are good." Conjunctions are those parts of langoaore, which, by joining; sentences in various waysmarii the connections and various dependencies of human thought. The term Conjunction comes from the two Latin words, con. which signifies together, and jungo. to join. \ con- junction, then, is a word that conjoins, or joins together something. Bef<-ire yo" can fully comprehend the nature and office of this sort of words, it is requisite that yos should know what is meant by a sentence, a simple sen- tence, and a compound sentence, for conjunctions are chief- ly used to connect sentences. A Sentence is an assemblage of words form- ing complete sense. A Simple Sentence contains but one subject, or nominative, and one verb that agrees with that nominative; as," Wheatgrowsm the field." You perceive that this sentence contains several words be.=ides the nominative and the verb, and you will oflen see a simple sentence containing many parts of speecb; hut if it contains only one nominative and one fnite ve^; (that is, a verb not in the infinitive mood.) it Is a sim | If sentence, notwithstanding it may be longer t^uH compound sentences. ^, ^ A Compound Se.ntence is composed; or more simple sentences connected iio^ as " Wheat grows in the field, and ?hc4^^^ This sentence U compound, because it is fom:f>|ja-girople sentences joined together by the WPrJ| <'*' ''''ii

CONJUNCTIOXS. 101 woril, on account of its connecting power, is called aeon imiction. If we write this sentence without the conjunction, it becomes two simple sentences: thus, "Wheat irrnws in the helci. Men reap it." The nature ani importance of the conjunction, are ea- sily understood.



After expressino; one thought or senti-ment, you know we fiequently wish to add another, or several others, which are closely connected with it. We generally effect this addition by means of the conjunction: thus, "TheGeorgians cultivate rice and cotton;" that is. 'They cultivate rice, a(W cotton." This sentence is compound, and without the u,-e of the conjunction, it would be ivntten in two separate, simple sentences: thus, 'The Georgians cultivate rice They cultivate cotton." The conjaaction, though chu-fly used to connect sentences, some- times connects only words: in which capacity it is nearly allied to the nature of a preposition; as, " The sun and (add) the planets con'ititute the solar system." in this, ivhi :h is a simple sentence, and connects two ti'orc?*. *> A few more exami)les will illustrate the nature and use of this part of speech so clearly, as to enable you fully to comprehend it. The following simple sentences and mem- bers of sentences, have no relation to each other i:ntil liiev are connected by conjunctions. He labours harder rao; > saccessfully I do. Tliat man is healthy he is temper- ate. By filling up the vacancies in these sentences with coijunctions, you will see the importaixe of this sort of words: thus, He labours harder anrf more successfully <Aan Ido. That man is healthy because he is temperate. -x' Conjunctions are divided into two sorts, the Copulative and the Disjunctive. I. The Conjunction Coptdative serves to con-nect and continue a sentence by expressing an addition, a supposition, a cause, ^'c.jas, 'Two ondtliree are five; I will go?/he will acco. lauynie; You are happy Ucauseyon are good.' '{|ef:rst of these oxaniidcis and joins oi) a word that i^^-inai4iiicin; in the second, i/connects a meir.bet ' iifi^i' mgiposilion, ov condition; and ip the third, wirtfteCl&A member that expresses a ca-t^f^^-i^,^ , '^''^^jCpnjunction Disjunctive sejfvi^'ilpv m'^ii^et and continue the selijl^tfi^^^^

"f^^^rf^l^:. 102 ETYMOLOGY A J^i> SYSTAX, also to express opposition of meaning in dift'ei- ent degrees: as, "Tiley came witii iier, but they went away without her." Btt< joins on a member of this sentence, which expresses, not only something added, but, also, opposition of meAMug. The principal conjunctions may be known by the Ibllow. ing lists, which you may now commit to memory. Some words in these lists, are, however, fiequently used as ad-verbs, and sometimes as prepositions; but if you study well the nature of all the difl'erent sorts of words, you can not be at a loss to tell the part of speech of any word in the lan- guage. LISTS OF TtlE CONJUNCTIONS. Copulative. And, if, that, both, then, since, for, because, therefore, wherefore, provider, besides. Disjunctive. But, or, nor, as, than, lest, though, unless, either, neither, yet, notwith- standing, nevertheless, except, whether, where- as, as well as. A'-OTKS. J. Some conjunctions are used to connect simple sentences on\jt and form them into compound senltnces; such as, further, again, besides, fee. Otliers are eniployed to connect simple members only, o as to make them compound members; such iis, llian, lest, unless, that, su that, if, though, jet, because, as well as, &c. But, ami, therefore, or, nor, for, &c. connect either whole sentences, or sim- ple members. '. 2 Relative pronouns, as well as conjunctions, serve to conned sentences; as, " Blessed is the man who feareth the Lord and keep cth his commandments.", , , . You will now please to turn back



and read this lecture four or five times over; and then, after commining the fol- lowing order, you may parse the subsequent exercises. SYSTEMATICK ORDER OF PARSING The order of parsing a CoNJUN-fi**k| conjunction,and why? copulativft or^s| tive,-aQdWhy? what does it connecftFS|--' Wisdom outivirtue/orm the good man's c'_.^rtrf is n conjunction a word that is chiefly "'*^#^^ ner,t sentences; but in this example it cohr.ects otfR-^.

ColtrNCTiols. 103 copulative, it serves to connect and continue the sentence by expressing an addition it connects^UiejwwHI**'wisdom awl virtue," fVisilom is a noun, the name of a thing (Vou may parse itin'full.) ffisdom is one of the nominatives to the virb "form." Virtue is a noun, the name, &c. (Parse it in full:) and in the nom. case to the verb '-form," and coonected to the noun "wisdom" by and, according to Rule 33. Conjunctions connect 71011ns and pronouns in the same case. Form is a verl), a word which signifies to do,&c. of the third person,p/ura/, because its two nominatives,'wisdom and virtue," are connected by a copulative conjunction, agreeably to Rule 8. Two or more nouns in the singular nnmher. join- ed by copulative conjunctions, must have verbs, nouns, and pro7iouns agreeing with them in the plural. "Wisdom or folly governs us." ^ Or is a conjunction, a word that is chiefly used to co* nect sentences: it sometimes connects words disjunctive, it serves not only to connect and continue the sentew^but also to express opposition of meaning it conne^^the nouns "wisdom and lolly."- f Governs is a verb, a word that signifies, &c. of th^hird person, singular number, agreeing with 'wisdom or folly," according to Rule 9. Tn'O or more nouns singular, joined by disjonc- tive conjunctions, must have verbs, 7iouns, and pronouns aaree- ing with them in the singular. All If you reflect, for a few moments, upon the meanii* of the last two Kules presented, you will see, at once, 'ir propriety and importance. For example; in the sentfice "Orlando and Thomas, who stitdij their lessons, make'hiuid progress," you notice that the two singular nouns, Orlando and Thomas, are connected by the copulative conjunction ani[^]. therefore the verb ma[^]f, which agrees with them, is plural, because it expresses the action of both its nomina- "f':0.r. actors." And you observe, too, that the pronouns w! their, and the noun lessons, a.veplural, agreeing wfth 1 jiis Orlando and Thomas, according to Hule 8. The Si tdy is plural, agreeing with who, according to % f t1 f

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presses the action of I he one or the other of is nominati\ei. And you observe, too, that the pronouns ii>ho and his, and th.'. noun toson, are In.euise iii the singular, agreeing with Orlando or Thomas, agreeailly to Ilule 9. Studies is also singular, agreeiniT with xisho, according to Uulk 4. EXERCISES IN PAUSING. Joseph and his brother reside in New York. The sun, nioon, and stars, admonish us ol a superior and superintend- fii ia<' l'ower. I respect my friend, because he is upright ami '4|-'- obliging. Henry and Wihiam. who obey their teacher, * - ' im >rove rapidly. Henry or William, who obeys his t^ach- 'T-' r,' improves very last. Neitiier rank nor imssession .. makes the guilty mind happy. Wisdom, virtue, and meek- 'n ess, form the good man's happiness and interest: Uiev support him iu adversity, and comfort him in prosperity, Man is a littU' lower than the angels. The United Slates, as justly a: Great Britain, can now boast of her literary institutions. - Note. The verbs arfpnoiuVi an.I/oriii arc plural, and each agreei, K' "'>; w"*li three nouns singular, coiincctod by copulative conjunctioiM, Hliti-*. aocording to Rule H. The verb cow fort agrees with they for iU '''' uomiaalive. It is connected to s;);7or< by the conjunction aM aareeably to Rule 34. Angels is num. to are understood, and \n^i 8'ilaiii U nom. to can boaat understood, according to Rule35, REMARKS ON CONJUNCTIONS AND PREPOSITION'S. Tile same word is occasionally emploied, eitlier as a conjunc- (iorr an adverb or a preposition. "I submitted,/orit was in i to re'sjst;" in this example,/or is a conjunction, because it conn t'IC two members of a compound sentence. In the next it is a nre-, v.-=if.un, and governs vkt nt/ in the objective ca-;e: " llecoiitemlwi ,'ji-victory only.V . . ! '1.','^ In the iirst of the following sentences, sma if a ci,fj(Bicti0^r n tl-e'sccond, it is a preoosilion; and ii. tlie tlur:l, aua^^-^].^r" ,v,-' 'iiiiPt part, let us .jo it peacoably ;I havennt %emim^^e'l tinie; Our fricnd.fciH coruirienced long .wrtr.c." S^\^^mM\ ' Hi' will renemtbefivre t.e.Uies; Stan.l bejareMIB-^m>>*^W " not return fre/Ve,-*' | fi-lhc first of these three i^awpte.^;**^*' ivlvcrbi d GOrtiuuctiOn, because it expresses Uai^^t^i iiim^^ he iccond, it is a praposition; and in the thi#5^;a!ijS'P:%:'-r' .N

CASES OF XOt'KS. 105 As tne worJs of a sentencR are often transposotl, so are also Its members. Without attending to this circiimslunoc, the learner may sotoetiines be at a loss to perceive the cunneeUng power of a preposition or conjunction, for every preposition and every con- lunction connect- either words or phrases, sentences or members of sentences. Whenever a sentence begins with a preposition or con- junction, its members are transposed; as, "/jt the days of Joram, kini; of Israel, flourished the prophet Elisha;" "//"thou seek the Lord, he will be found of thee; but, if thou forsake him, he will east thee off forever:" "When coldness Wraps this suffering clay, "Ah, whither strays the immortal mind?" That the woids in, if, and tchen, in these examples, connect the mrmbers of the respective sentences to which they are attached; will obviously appear If we restore these sentences to their natural order, and bring these particles betu-een the niembrr-i which they connect: thus, " Elisha the prophet flourished t/i the days of Joram kini; of Israel:" " The Lord Will be found of thee if thoo seek him; but he will ca=t thee off forever 1/ thou forsake hitii:" "Ah, whither strays the immortal mind, , "fVhen coldness wraps this suffering clay?" As an exercise on this



lecture, you may now answer these QUESTIONS NOT ANSWERED IN PARSING. From what words is the term conjunction derived? What is a sentence? What is a simple sentence? What is a compound sentence? Give examples. In what respect do conjunctions and prepo.ilions agree in Ilieir nature? Ilovv many sorts of conjunctions are there? I^epeat the lists of conjunctions. Do relative pronouns ever connect sentences? Repeat the order of parsing a conji.nction. Do you apiily any Rule in parsing-a conjunction? What Itaie should be applied in)arsing a noun or pronoun connected with another? What Rule in parsing a verb agreeing with two or more nouns singular, connected by a copulative conjunction? What Rule when the nouns are connected hy a tlisjunctive? In p;irsing a verh connected to another by a conjunction, what Rule do you apply? Is a conjunction ever used as other parts of speech? Give exainides. 'at is said of the wortls for. since, and before? What i': jfciyjje transposition of sentences? W - --^ 11 LECTURE X. d> INTBRJECTIONS.-CASES OP NOVX<rS. iA*.uiuECTio.NS fire words tlirown in between te of a sentence, expressing the suddea it 7

iDtericctions are not so much the si-ns of thought, as of feeling; therefore almost any word may be used as an m- terject.on. They who wish to speak often, and ha/e no useful xleas to communicate, are a,,(to make a hbera use of this part of speech, such as, law me, mi/, O mij, U dear, dearme, surprising, astonishing, an'l the like Interjections not included in the tollowing list, are gener- ally known by theirtakmg an exclamation point after them; A list of the Principal Interjections. Of earnestness or grief; &s O! oh! ah! alas! Contempt; Fish! tush! Wonder; as, Heigh! really! strange! Calling; as. Hem! ho! halloe! Disgust nr aversion; as, Fob! fie! away. Atl"iit:on; as. Lo! behold! hark! Requesting silence; as, Hush!hist! Salutation; as, Welcome! hail! All hail! Note. W freniiently meet with wl.at some call an interjec&n: phrase; such as, Uiij;-atoful wretcl,! iai;>u.lunce of hope! foil} intk extreme' what ingratitude! away wilh hi.u'. As the interjection is the leat important part ot speecii in the E-,g!ih lan-uaec, it will require but little attention You mav. however, make yourself well acquainted willi ^vha' ha'sbeen said respecting it, and then commit the SYSTEMATICK ORDER OF PARSING. The order of parsing an Lnterjectio.n, is- an interjection, and why? - O virtue! how amiable thou art!" 0 is an interjection, a word used to express some passioi or emotion of the speaker. ,^ The ten parts of speech have now been unfolded M, :ucidHted. although some of them have not been c.f plaineil juiry Before you proceed any further, you will ple:>r" beein again at the first lecture, and read over, ttnt| the whole, observing to parse every example in th^.; .es systematically. You will then be able to paref the lowing exercises, which contain all the parts of hours in a day, and purKjfeJOIIf; rections given, you may beco'i-e. if not a rntica! a practical, grammarian In six -aeeks; but il you s

."^t CASES OF NOLNS. 107 :hree hours in a day, it will take you nearly three months to acquire the same knowlefige. EXEIICISES IN PARS'-^'-n True cheerfulness makes a man happy in himself, and



promotes the happiness of all around him. Modest) always appears graceful in youth: it doubles lhe lustre of every virtue which it seems to hide. He who, every morning, plans the transactions of the lay, and follows nutth, it plan, carries on a thread that will guide him through the lativrinth of the most busy life. Tlie king gave me a generous reward for committing that barbarous act; but, alas! 1 fear the consequence. E'en now, where Alpine solitudes ascend, 1 set me down a pensive hour to spend; And, placed on high, above the storm's career, I/ook downward where a hundred realms appear: Alas! Ihe joys that fortune brings, Are trifling, and decay; AnrI those wlio mind the paltry things, More trifling still than they. Note. In the seon'l sentence of the forejoine exercise', which isfovprneil by the verb to hide, accorilinc; to Rule 16. H<' is nom. tomrn'es; ui'w is noin. to plans. Fnllowt iiscrees with who uilcierstooc, and is connected to plans by and; RulEol. What iJid the king fire! \ reward to me. Then rewardis in theo4;". cae, gov. hygave; Rule 20. Me is gov. by to nnilerstooil; Notk I, Rui.E.i'2. The phrase, rornnittiiig that barbarous act, is gov. by for; Note 2, nniier Rule 28. Hour is in the obj. case, ;ov. by to spend; Rule 20. i^ot is connected to set by and; Rul. E:i4. Jo<is is noni. to are \ Thalk g;ov. by brings; Rui.E 16. Those is noiO. to are understood. Tkeji is nom. to are understood; Rvi.E 35. CASES OF NOUNS. In a former lecture I promised to give you a more exten- sive explanation of the cases of nouns; and. as they are. in many situations, a little difficult to be ascertained, I '.vill now offer some further remarks on this subject. But before you proceed. I wish yoa to parse all the examples in the rciiiesiiisl pre.sented, observing to pay particular atten- e remaclcs in the subjoined Note. Those remarks ,^lyou much in analyzing, ^.^"j^metimes nominative to a verb placed many ^iSffloun. Vou must exercise your judgment m f/ -Look at the sentence in ihe preceding eker- i? iiminf5 with. "He who, every morning," &c. and /oil can tind the verb to which Ac is nominative. What Pi'i BH ii

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does Ae do? He carries on a thread, &.C. /ie then is nomi- native to the vflrb carries. What does who do? Who plans, and >vho_^ 'tt's, &.c. Then zvho is tioin. to plans, and xn-lio understood, is nominative to/oUows. "A soul without reflection, like a pile 'Without inhabitant, to ruin runs." In order to find the verb to which the noun soul, in this sentence, is the nominative, put the question; Whatdoesa ioul without reflection, do? Such a soul runs to ruin, like a pile without inhabitant. Thus jou discover, thatsou/is nominative to runs. When the words of a sentence are arranged according to their natural order, the nominative case, you recollect,is placed before the verb, and the objective, after it; but when the words of a sentence are transposed; that is, not ar- ranged according to their natural order, it frequently hap- pens, that the nominative comes after, and the objective, before the verb; especially in poetry, or when a question is asked: as, "Whence arises the misery of the present world?" "What good thing shall I do to inherit eteruai life?" Put these expressions in the declarative form, and the nominative will precede, and the objective follow its verb: thus, "The misery of the



present world arises whence; I shall do what eood thing to inherit eternal life." "Now came still evening on, and twilight gray "Had in her sober livery, all (Aung's clad." "Stern rugged nurse, thy rigid lore' "With patience many a year she bore." What did the evening do? The evening came on. Gray tm- liaht had clad what? Twilight had clad all things in het sober livery. Evening then is nom. to came on, and the noun things is in the objective case, and erov. by had clad: Bulk 20. What did she bear? She bore thy rigid lore with patience, for, or during, many a year. Hence you find, that lore is in the objective cse. and governed by 6ore,ac- cor.'.ing to Rule 20. Year is gov. by during underetood: Rule 32. A noun is frequently nominative to a verbuntrer tood,ol: in the objective, and governed by a verO unilerstooi' ' "Lo, there is the poor Indian! whose untutored m^ ,j.jj^0, thepai;r there is! the bliss there is in dMitf,"""- :>sl;3 '-4^A11 were sunk, but the wakeful nishfingale nas noi^i "He thought as a a^e thinks, the'he felt a;- a mmi^ff " His hnpps. immortal, blovv them by. as dust is Mnr?**' UuLE 35, applies to these last three examples.

NOMINATIVE CASE INDEPENBEA'T,----ABSOLUTE. Id In tile next place I will explain several cases of nouns and pronouns which have not yet come under our notice. Sometimes a noan or pronoun may be in the nominative case when it has no verb to affree with it. 'OF THE NOMINATIVE CASE INDEIENDENT. Whenever a direct address is made, the per- son or tiling spoken to, is in the nominative case independent; as, ^ lames, I desire you to study.' ^ You notice, that in the exiiression, I address myself to /ames;that is, I speak to him; and you observe, too, that there is no verb, either expressed or implied, to which James can be the nominative; therefore you know that hmes IS in tile nom, case independent, according to Kule S. Recollect, that whenever a noun is of the second person, it is in the nom. case independent, that is, independent of j. any verb; as, "Selma, thy halls are silent; Love and ^ meekness, my lord, become a churchman, better than am- bition; 0 Jerusalem, Jerusalem, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, but ye would not!" - Note. VVhcQ a pronoun of the second person is in apposition with a noun independent, it is in the same case; as, "Thou traitor., I detest thee." V OF THE NOMINATIVE CASE ABSOLUTE. A noun or pronoun placed before a partici- ple, without any verb to agree with it, is in the noininative case absolute; as," '1 he sun being men, we pursued our journey." Sun is here placfd before the participle "being risen," and has no verb to agree with it; therefore it is in the nom-loative case absolute, according to Rule 6. ' Note 1. A noun or pronoun in the nominative case indepfind- ent, is always of the seconff person; but, in the case absolute, it J3 generally of the third person. 2. The case absolute is always nominatiTe; the follol'ine sen-tence: therefore incorre-t: "Whose top shall tremble, him du-Kemlini," &c. It shonlil be, he desoendinj. OF NOUNS IN APPOSITION. Tyo or more nouns or pronouns signifying'; * person or thing, are put, by apposition^i; | ^> \$aie case; as, " Cicero the geat orator^ "^'r>soj?%r. ami statesman of Rome, was mar-!by Antiiouy." R m U i



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:/^i w ."i'i 110 ETYMOLOGY AND SVKTAX. Apposition, in a ;r.ttnmatical sense, means something added, or names added, in order more fully to define or illustrate tlie sense of the first name mentioned. You perceive that Cicero, in the preceding example, is merely the name of a man; but when I give him the three additional appellations, and call him a. gTea.t orator, philos-oplier, ana statesman, you understand what kind of a man lie was; that is, by giving him these three additional names, his character and abilities as a man are more fully made known. And, surely, you can not be at a loss to know that these four nouns must be in the same case, for they are all names given to the same person: therefore, if Ci-cero was murdered, the orator was murdered, and the philosopher was murdered, and the statesman was murdered, because they all mean one and the same person. Nouns and pronouns in the objective case, are frequent-ly in apposition; as, He struck Charles the student. Kow it is obvious, that, when he struck Charles, he struck tkejffu- (knt. because Charles was the student, and the student was Charles; therefore the noun student is in the objective tise governed by '-struck," and put by apposition with Ch ules, according to Klle 7. ^ Ple1'=e to examine this lecture very attentively. You Ifcill then |.e pi epared to parse the following examples cor-' - fcetly and systematically. PARSING. Weep on the rocks of roaring winds, OJV/aitZ of Inistore." Maid is a noun, the name of a person com. the name of u-species_fern. gend. it denotes a female second pers. spoken to sing. num. it implies but one and in the nom- inative case independent, because it is addressed, and has no verb to agree with it, according to ..'-RuLE 5. When ail address is made, the noun or pronom ~-'^, ressed, is put in the nominative case independent. " The general being ransomed, the barbarians >ermit- ted him to depart." Ge.iera/is a noun, the name, &c. {parse if in full) i'mii in the nominativecaseal)solute, because it is pl?,cet}-^f*'Wef the participle " being ransomed," and it has ij agree with-.t, agreeably to "\, RuLB 6. A -noun or pronoun plactdh(^ore a pW^^ and heing' independent of ihe rest of the sentence,, i-' W n'oridnadiii sasa ahs'Aute. m

C-VSKS OF NOt'NS.---PARSING. Ill .Thou man of GoJ, flee to the land of Judah." Thou is a pronoun; a word used instead of a noun per-. Sonal, it personates 'man" second pers. spoken to mas. gend. sing. nnmb. liecuuse the noun "man" is for which it stands: Hulk 13. (llepeat the Rule) Thou is in the nom- inative case independent, and put by apposition with man, because it signifies the same thing, according to Hule 7. Txi'o or more nouns, ur nouns and pronouns, sig- "'fyi/'g th'^ same iking, are put by apposition, in the same case Man is in the nominative case independent, according to Kule 5. Flee agrees with thou understood. "Lo! Newton, priest of Nature, shines iifar, "Scans the wide world, and numbers every star."- Mziiton is a noun, (par^e it in full,) and in the nominative case to 'shines:" Rule 3. Priest is a noun, (parse it in full,) and in the nom. case, it is the actor and subject of the verb "shines," and put by apposition with "Newton," because it signifies the same thing, agreeably to Rule 7. (Repeat the Rule.) EXERCISES IN PARSING. Turn from your evil ways, O house



of Israel! Ye fields oflight, celestial plains, ye scenes divinely f:iir! prochiim your Maker's wondrous power. Okingl /ivc forever. The murmur of thy streams, O Lora, brings back the memory of the past. The sound of thy woods, Garmallar, is lovely in my ear. Dost thou not behold, Malvina, a rock with its head of heath. Three aged pines bend from its face, green is the plain at its feet; there the flower of the mouc- tain grows, and shakes its white head in the breeze. The general being slain, the army was routed. Com merce having thus got into the legislative body, privilege miift be done away. Jesus had conveyed himself away, a multitude being in that place. I being in great haste, he consented. The rain having ceased, the dark clouds rolled aivay. The son of God, while clothed in flesh, was subject to ii!! (!if frailties anrl inconveniences of human nature, sin (that is, sin being excepted.) :i t.., lays of Joram, king of Israel, flourished the proph JK3^(^. P.\ull the apostle sufl'ered martyrdom. Come: ,?< ce'iifjiiind, delightful guest! and Jonell with me. Frierid.-\ I'v: i:mf,''^;iiitfymen, lend me your ears. S<ii)li^t'lhcjust, companion of the dead! WfteJ^e i: thy home, and whither art thou fled? y j^&i^_A

112 ETVMOLOGY AND SYNTAX, Till Hymen brought his love delighted houi. There dwelt no joy in Eden's rosy bower: The world was sad, the garden was a wild, And man the hermit sigh'd, till woman smiled. Note. Those veibs in italick?, in the preceding rxamples, are all in the imperative mood, and second person, agreeing with thou, ST f/e or i/ou nni\eT**.ooi . Houxe of Ismel is a noun of multitinic, H'as routed and must be done are passive verbs, ^irtiled is a luu. tcr verb in a passive form. Clothed is a perfect part. Till is an ad-Tcrbial conj. When yoii shall have analyzel, systematically, every word in the foregoing exercises, you may answer the fol- lowing QUESTIONS NOT ANSWERED IN PARSING. Kepeat the list of intellections. Repeat some interjec- tive phrases. Repeat the order of parsing an interjectinn. __In order to find the verb to which a noun is nom. what question do you put? Give examples. Is the nominative ease ever placed after the verb? When? Give examples. Does the objective case ever come before the verb? Give ex-amples. Is a noun ever nom, to a verb understood? Give ('Samples. When is a noun or pronoun in the nom. asp independent? Give examples. Are nouns of the sec- ond person always in the nom. case independent? When a pronoun is put by apposition with a noun indejiendent, ig what rae is it? When is a noun or pronoun in the nom. case absolute? Give examples? AVhenare nouns or nouns and pronouns put, by apposition, in the same case? Give examples. In parsing a noun or pronoun in the nom. case independent, what Rule should be applied? In parsing the nom. case absolute, what Rule? What Rule in parsing nouns or pronouns in apposition? if .1 LECTURE XL OP THE raCOBS AMTI TENSES Or VERBS. You have now acquired a genera!, and, I may Siry, an tensive, knowledge of nine parts of speech; but >ou kn but little !\g yel, respecting the most important ^'f-^*)!, I mean the Verb, f will, therefore, commence tlu^ by giving you an explanation of the Moods anti verbs. Have (be goodness however, first to torn .read over Lecture II. and reflect well.jjralxj^b,^ -'.csaid respecting the verb; after whfc|jtf.-^,^]|^'**



MOODS. 113 ?o sino<ihly through the moods and tenses, and the conjn- giiti.->n of verbs, thist. instead of finding voiirself involved in obscurities and deep intri. Mcies, you will scarcely find an obstruction to impede your progress. 1. OF THE MOODS. Mood or Mode consists in the changes which a verb undergoes, in order to express the dit'fer- ent intentions of the mind, and the various mo- difications and circumstances of action. There are five moods of verbs, the Indicative, tile Subjunctive, the Imperative, the Potential, and the Infinitive. The Lnd cative Mood simply indicates or de- clares a thing; as, "He writes:" \(^\) or it asks a question; as,' Does he write? Who icrote that?' If I Siiy,.He came with me, I make a positive declara- tion: therefore came is in the indicative mood: and, it" I say, Who came with you." I ask a question; therefore camt- is in the indicative still. It will be found most convenient to present the subjunc live mood next in order, because it is more analogous to the indicative in conjugition, than any of the others, 'i'lii- mood, however, differs materially from the indicative in sense; therefore you ought to make yourself well acquaint ed with the natule of the indicative, before you commence with the subjunctive. The Subjunctive Mood expresses action, passion, or being, in a doubtful or conditional inanner: or, When a verb is preceded by a word that ex- presses a cgndition, doubt, motive, wish, ov sup- position, it isinlhe Subjunctive Mood; as," //' lie siudii, he will improve; I will respect him, '^fiiG chide me; He will not be pardoned. .si; | tfe?, Fpen/; Had he /icch there, jje would < | j^^f{t>45<j;" (that is, if he had been there.) Ch^^t^^OftClionsif, though, sinless, in the precedifti^;ftxaJll' ^(bifia^ixpuriition, doubt, &c. therefore the verliite- c/(^iS^iM6jpi^Aari 6ecn, are in the subjunctive mood

Ill ETYMOLOGY AND SYJSTAX, Note 1. A verb in this mood is generally atterxicd br^noliitf verb in some other mootl. You observe, tbut eiich of the -ftfst thrc,,. ef the preceding examples, contains a verb in the indicat;\e mood, and the fourth,"a verb in the potential. 2. Whenever the conjunctions if, though, wihss, except, uiuther, lest, or any others, denote contingency or doubt, the voibs that fol- low them are in the subjunctive mood; " af, " //he ride ont every day, his health will probably improve;" that is, il be should tilk out hereafter. But when these conjunctions do not im)ly doiilil, &c. the verbs that follow them arc in the indicative, or some other juood; "as, "Thoitghhe rides out daily, his health is no better." The conjunctive and indicative forms of this mood, are explained in the conjugation of the verb to love. See page 120. The "Imperative Mood is used for command-ing, exhorting, entreating, or permitting; as, ^' Depart thou; Remember my admonitions; Tar- m awhile longer; Go in peace." ' The \tth depart expresses a command; remember, ex- hoits; tarry expresses entreaty; and go, pennission; there- tore they arc all in the imperative mood. A verb in the imperative mood, is always of the second person, .igrceiug with thou, ot ye or you, either expressed or implied. You may know a verb in this mood by the sense: recollect, however, that the nominative is ahvajs cconrf person, and frequently understood; as, George, g-ire me my hat; that is, give thou, or give you. When the nom- inative is exfressed, it is generally placed after the verb; illy, Go thou; Depart ye: or between the auxiliary and the verb: as, Dortuiigo; Doj/e depart. (750 is the auxiliary.) The PoTB.NTiAL



Mood implies possibility, liberty or necessity, power, will, or obligation; as, "It may rain; He may go or stay; We

m must eat and drink; I can ride; He u-ould irailc; Thev should learn."" /.:; ,In "the tirst of these examples, the n-ixiliary mai/ implies "^i-jfi^ESibility; in the second it implies liberty: that is, he is at liberty to go or to stay; in the third, mvst denotes n^ tessity; eati, denotes power or ability; ^'omW, imylK'Si-* or inclination; that is. he had a mhid to walk; t.U'^>'!'e^ implies obligation. Hence you Vfrceiv.c, tbaf;4>;e-,?i.'1 inav rain, may go. mu-jt eat, must drink, cati rr^iif walk, and should learn, are in tlie;ii/!^*xj/rnood.v: . NoTK, 1. As.a verb in the indicative laood. ia.eonvf'jit^-jpu, ." 'iS^iuiiCtivc wlien it is prece.'.ed by a cbnjuiicJipp'px^fft^J^M

TENSES. 115' may, m like mnnner, be turned into the subjunctive; as, " If I could deceive him, I should abhor it; Though he should increase in wealth he nouhl not be charitable.'-' I could deceive is in the potential; If I could deccire, is in the eubjunctive inood. 2. The potential mood, as well as the indicative, is used in ask- ino; a question; as, " May 1 go? Could you understand him? Must we rlie!" The Infinitive Mood expreses a thing in a general and unlimited manner; having no nom-inative, consequently neither person nor num- ber; as, " To speak, to walky Infinitive means unconf.ncd, or unlimited. Tliis mood ia called the infinitive, because it is not confined or limited to a nominative. A verb in any other mood, is limited- (hat is, it must agree in number and person ith its nomina- tive; but a verb in this mood, has ko nominative, there- fore it never changes its termination, except to form the perfect tense. Now you understand why all verbs are caWeA finite or limited, excepting those ia the infinitive mood. Note. To, the si2;n nfthe infinitive mood, is often understood be-fore tlie verb; as, "Let uie proceed;" tliat is. Let uie to nroceed. See RuLi, 25. To is not a preposilion when joined to a verb in this mood; thus, lo ride, to rule; but it should be parsed vith the verb and as a part of it. If you study this lecture attentively, you will perceive, Ihat when 1 say, I tt'rUc, the verb is in the indicative mood 'but wlien I say, if I zerite, or, unless I write, ^-c. the verb i^ in the subjunctive mood ;a!n7e thou, or write ye or you. the imperative; I may -jsrite, I m^ist urite, I could write', 6,-c. tlie potential; and to -^-rite, the infinitive. Any other verb, (ex.- oept the defective,) may be employed in the same manner II. OF THE TENSES. Tf.nse means time. Verbs have six tenses, the Present, the Im- perfect, the Perfect, the Pluperfect, and the- First and Second Future tenses. The Pre'jEnt Tense denotes present time; or. T^: | ^i{i;^eKT Tense represents an action or %i4,;.U>Vmg place at the time m vvliici} it is iiK^!ft0;j as " I smile; I see; I am seen/.' i ^if--J&ji;e-j^eg^nt tense is also used in speato'ilgof-ftg^Wn* i usw'wfcttwjjsiopal, intermissions, to the present timf a^- *

'jwsw'r-' 5 IIG ETYHOLOGY AND SYNTAX, "This tome is sometimes ii)plie(I to represent tlie rictions of persoiu long since dead: as," SenegareMons and morohzis wcil; An honest man I's the noblest work of Gorl." u , , ,;; When the present tense is preceded by the words, when, I-forc, after, a? soon



as, &< it is sometime-, nsed to point out the rtlative time of a future action; ai,"-- Whenhe amvcs we fhnl) hear the "''^The Imperfect Tense denotes past time however distant; or, Tlie Imperfect Tense represents an action or event, either as past and finished, or as remain- ing unfinished at a certain time past; as,"! loved hei- for her modesty and virtue; They u-erc travelling post when he met them." The verb loved, in the tirst of these examples, shows that the action is past and linished, thong U the precise time of it is not defined. In this point of view the tense may be denominate<| imperfect, for the time of the action is not nerferlly ascertained. In the second example, -mtc trav-luin<r represents the action as past, bnt not hnished; the te'i^?.theiefoie, (if we consider the participle with the Veih.) may I)e denominated i.r.peifect. ^*;A ' i' '\; ^Q PEiiVECT Tense denotes past tmie, and ';>--' --"Vso conveys an allusion to the present; as, "I ^*"" %ave finished my letter." ..., The verb have fiiiishsd. in this example, signihes that the action, though past, was perfectly finished at a point af time immediately preceding, or in the course of a , | e- ,^' * .^iod which comes to, the present. Inder this view of the '^i-.**^I,h ect .t appears, that the term pe,/ecj may he proper,v % tCm S o this tense; for it specifies, not only the c.mple- ir '-itto. of the action, but, also, the particular period of itsac *" Tf ' I-vtomplishment,' is'ft The Plupeufect Tense represents a past ^^ -' netioo or event that transpired before so 8 other past time specified; as, "IJ\r my letter before my \>''>\"/"I\rangle y'!\rangle:M\rangle You observe that the verb 'lad /nt.Aeri u>. .tWff^, represents one past action.and ^/'^'Aff^^ another as(action; th,,reiore nadfiaiskedAS m*^^ feet tense, because the action t'\lvpla^\ei^\'\Ft^ T,luGe of the other past actioa spe;^*i*feM^!'''

AUXILIARY VERBS. 117 The First Future Tense denotes future time,; as, " / will finish; I shall finish my letter." The Seco.nd Future Tense represents a fu- ture action tliat will be fully accomplished at or before the time of another future action or event; as, " I shall have finished my letter when ray brother arrives." This example clearly shows you the meaning- and the proper use of "the second future tense. The verb "shall have finished" implies a future action that will be com- pletely finished, at or before the time of the other future event denoted by the phrase, "when my brother arrives." You may now read what is said respecting: the moods and tenses several times over, and then you may learn to conjugates verb. But, before you proceed to the conjugation of verbs, you will please to commit the following paragraph on the Auxiliary verbs, and, also, the signs of the moods and tenses; and, in conjugating, you must pay particular attention to the manner in which these signs are applied. OF THE .AUXILIARY VERBS. Auxiliary or Helping Verbs are those by the help of which the English verbs are princi- pally conjugated. May, can, must, might, mild, would, should, and shall, are always aux- iliaries; do, be, have, and will, are sometimes auxiliaries, and sometimes principal verbs. iheuseof the auxiliaries, is shown in the following conjugation. SIGNS OF THE MOODS. The hidicat've iMood is known by the sense, or hy its having no sign, except in asking a 'ikiestion; as, ' VV ho loves you ?" "j^Bhe conjunctions ifi, though, unless, except, ^N^r, mid lest, are generally signs of the " "'i'-



Hctive; as, " If I love; unless I /ow." &c. verb is generally known to be in the Jno- m;/8f; Mood by its agreeing with thoii,.or feCs- u

118 ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX. you understood; as, "Love virtue, and follow her steps;" that is, love thou, or love ye or you; follow thou, &c. May, can, and must, might, could, would, and should, are signs of the Potential Mood, as, "I wo?/love, I mwA'^love; i should \o\e,&rc. To is the sign of the Infinitive; as," To love, to smile." SIGNS OF THE TENSES. The first for n of the verb is the sign of the present tense; as love. Ed. tlie imp. tense of reg. verbs; as, loved, Have the perfe-^t; as have loved. Had the pluperfect; aS, had loved. Shcdl or will the lirst future; as, shall love, or will love. Shall or will have the second future; as, shall have loved, or will have loved. Note. There arc some excpptions to tliep sis;n5, which you will Aotici; hv r"! rriiia; to the conjugation in the potential mood. The Indicative Mood has six tenses. The Subjunctive has also .six tenses. The Imperative has only one tense. The potential hasyoMr tenses. - The intinitive has two tenses. CONJUGATION OF VERBS. The CoNiuG.^TioN of a verb is the regular combination and arrangement of its several numbers, persons, moods, and tenses. The conjugation of an active verb, is :5J v X\i& acti-^se i-oice^todthat of a passive verb, passive voice. ^^tc^\iO Verbs are called Regular wlien they tileir imperfect tense of the -indicati?,evi^| and their perfect participle, by addinfi^\!*'\i

;onji;gation of vkrbs. 119 prespiu tense, ed or d only, when t ie verb ends in c/as, Pres. Tciisc. Imp. Tense. I favour. 1 favoured. Hove. I love<^. Perf. Participle, favouiet/. loverf. A Regular Verb is conjugated in the following manner. To Love Indicative Mood. Present Tense. Plural. 1. We love, 2. Ye or you love, 3. They love. Singular. 1. Pers. I love, 2. Pers. Thou lovest, 3. Pers. He, she, or it,^ loveth or loves. \ When we wish t o express energy or positiveness, the auxiliary do ilioulil precede the verb in the present tense: thus, Singular. Plural. ' 'lo't)ve, 1. vVe do love, 2. Tlmii dost love, 2. Ye or you do iovo, 0. He doth or does love. J. They do love. Imperfect Tense. Singular. Plural. 1. 1 loved, 1. U'e loved, 2. Thou lovedst, . 2. Ve or you loved 3. He loved. 3. They loved. ' Or by prefixing did to the present: thus, Singular, I. Idid h)ve, Thou didst love, i He did love. Plural. 1. We did love, 2. Ye or you did love. 3. They did love. Perfect Tense. Singular. Plural. I I hrtve loved, 1. We have loved, 2. Thou h.ist loved, 2. Ye or yoa have loveci, " h ith or has loved. 3. They have loved. Pluperfect Tense. ^::>gular. Plural. !(r.i,l loved, 1. \Vehd loved. Thou had'it loved, 2. \e or vou hiid love.! ilahadived. , 3. They had loved. .ji^ ': ' > First Future Tei'.se. 'i^'Sy^* Plural. iWiaQ-^'spJn.iovp, 1 We shall or will love I^*ga;t*rmlt k>ye, 2. Ye or you shall orWI-lov*- " ^'*f??^P*'^%.-* They shall Qr <viliiore< ?. i. HiB

tS^t^-- 120 ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX. Second Future Tense. X uShave loved, 1. We'sLtn have loved Thou wilt have loved, 2. Ye or you wdl have lovea, V He will have loved. 3. They w.ll have loved. Note Tenses formed without auxiliaries are called stmpie tenses; as 1 Zov; -lived; but those formed by the help o ""/""/^ '^ denoZ'^L!^compound tenses; as, 1 have loved; I ha loved &c. This display



of the verb shows you, in the clearest light, the application of the signs of the tenses which s.gns ought 0 be perfectly con:mitled to memory before you proceed any further. By looking again at the conjugation you w, noiice. that Aa/e, placed before the perfec par .c.ple o any v^rb. torms the perfect tense; had the pluperfect; shall orm'/. the first future, and so on.; / Now speak each of the verbs love, hate, valk, smile, rule 'nd conquer, in the first person of each tense .n this mood, Sh the pronoun / before it-, thus, indicative mood, pres Tense. firAper.s. sing. Hove; imp. tense, I loved; perf 1 have oved; and so on through all the tenses. If you learn, horouc^hly the conjugation of the verb >n the indicative nooT^ou-will find no difficulty in conjugating it throug those that follow, for in the conjugation through all the moods there is a great similarity. Subjunctive Mood. Present Tense. Con;unch'i)e/orni., Plural..fVY / 1. If we love, 2 fho I'ove, 2.ifveorypulove, s If he love 3- " "^'-V """" . . Look again at the conjugation of the verb in the mdica- tive pre.-ent, and you w.ll observe, that the form of th verh'^^rffers from this form in the subjunctive. The verb in the prese.t tense of this mood, does not vary its erm.na- L,o7>rcountofn mbe.-or person. This .s called he Zjuncdve form of the verb; but sometimes the verb, n th s 1, ...ctive mood, present tense, is conjugated m the saraft m7ne? as .t .s ,n the indicative, with this exception ,/ Though, unless, ov^omeoihev conjunction, is prehxed; a % Indicative form. . , Plural. Stnei'lar. 1. 1. If I love. 2! if thou Invest,, a U' he loves. 1. If we love, 2 If ye cryojjlwc^ 3. if they lote.

CONJUGATION OF VERBS. 121 The following general rule will direct you when to use the conjunctive form of the verb, and when the indicative. When a verb in the subjunctive mood, present tense, has a future signification, or a reference to future time, the con-junctive form should be used; as, " If thou prosper, thou shouldst be thankful;" " He will maintain his principles, though he lose his estate;" that is, If thou shouldst pros-per; though he should lose, &c. But when a verb m the subjunctive raood, present tense, has no reference to fu- ture time, the indicative form ought to be used; as, "Un-less he means what he says, ht is doubly faithless." By this you perceive, that when a verb in the present t Dse (which tense, by some is denominated future) of the sub-junctive mood, has a future significatioH, an auxiliary is al- ways understood before it, for which reason in this construction the termination of the principal verb never va-ries; as, "He will not become eminent, unless he exert him-self;" that is, unless he shall exert, or should exert himself The imperfect, the perfect, the pluperfect, and the first future tenses of this mood, are conjugated, in every res-pect, like the same tenses of the indicative, with this ex- ception, in the subjunctive mood, a conjunction implying doubt, &c. is prefixed to the verb. In the second future tense of this mood, the verb is coDjugated thus: Singular. Second Future Tense. Plur. 1. If I shall have loved, 2. If thou shait have loved, 3. If he shall have loved. 1. If we shall have loved; 2. If you shall have loved* 3. If they shall have loved Look at the samp tense in the inilicative mood, end yoo will readily perceive the distinction between the two con jugations.



t1. Singular. Imperative Mood. Plur. i. Love, or lo^'e thou, or do ^. Love, or love ye or you, thou love. or do ye or you love. KoxE. "Vp can not cummand.exbort, &c. either inpast urfuium ?ime; thwefore a verb in this mood is aiwave in the pretent tense.- L 1^

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'^wwm- ETYMOIXJGV A JVD SYNTAX. Potential Mood. Present Tense. Singuiar. Plural. 1. 1 may, can, or must love, 1. We may, can, or must love, 2. Thou mayst, canst, ur 2. Ye or you may, can, or must love, must love, 3. He may, can, or must 3. They may, can, or must love. love. Imperfect Tense. Singular. Plural. i. Imight, could, would or 1. We might, could, would. should love, 2. Thou mightst, couldst, wouldst, or shouldst love, .^. He might, could, would, or should love. or should love, 2. Ye vr you might, could, would, or should love, Sitigular. I may, can, or must liave loved. Thou mayst, canst, or must have loved. He may, can, or must have loved. Singular. I. I might, could, would, or should have loved. ^:. Thou mightit, couldst, , woiildst. or should.'-t - have lo\^^ :;. He might, could, would, or should have loved. 3. They might, could, would, or should love. Perfect Tense. Plural. 1. We may, can, or must have loved, 2. Ye or you may, can. or must have loved, 3. They may, can, or must have loved. Pluperfect Tense. Plural. 1. We might, could, would, or should ha\e loved, 2. Ye or \ou might, could, would, or should have loved, 3. They might, could, would, or should have loved. ' By examini; g carefully the conjugation of the verb through this mosxi, you n dl find it very easy; thus, you will notice, tliat whenever either of the uuxiliarie.", muy. ran, or must, is placed before any verb, that veib is in tr.* i>--'^jm tenlial meod, prcen< tense: mi'rht, coutd, riould or i^h'iaifi^ retuiers it in the potential mooil, imperfect tense; Wj\t;n-' * or mp'f lave ihe perfect tensp; and might. rn/ f<r'st^^'a; er should have, thepluperfect tense

<50:SJUGATION OF VERBS. 123 Infinitive Mood. Pres. iTcnse, To love. Peif. Tense, To have loveJ. Participles. Piesent or active, Loving. Perfect or passive, Loved. Compound perfect. Having loved. Note. The perfect participle of a regular verh^ corresponds ex- actly with the imperfect tense; yet the former may, at all times, be (listingDishcd from the latter, by the followius; rule: !n composition the imperfect tense of a verb a/ways has a nominative, either ex- pressed or implied; the perfect participle nivcr has. For your encouragement, allow me to inform you, that when you shall have learned to conjugate the verb to love. you wilUie able to conjugate all the regular verbs in the JEnglish language, for they are all conjugated precisely in the same manner. By pursuing the following direction, you can, in a very short time, learn to conjugate any verb. Conjugate the verb love through all the moods and tensef:, in the tirst person singular, with the pronoun / before it, and speak the Participles: thus. Indicative mood, pres. tense, first pers. sing, Nove; imperf. tense, I / onerf; perf, tense I have loved: and so on, through every mood and tense. Then conjugate it in the second person, sing, with the pronoun thou before it, through all the moods and tenses: thus, Indic.</p>



mood, pres. tense, second pers. sing, thou tovesfy. imperf. tense, thou lovedst; and so on through the whole.: After that, conjugate it in the third person, sing, with he before it; and then in the first pers. plural, with we before, it, in like manner, through all the moods and tenses. Al- though this mode of procedure, may, at tirst, appear to bo laborious, yet, as it is necessary, I trust 3'ou will not hesi tate to adopt it. My confidence in your perseverance, indu- ces me to recommend any course which 1 know will tend to facilitate your progres?. When you shall have complied with my requisition, you may conjugate the following verbs in the same manner; which will enable vou, here- after, to tell the mood and tense of any verb without hesi tation: " walk, hate, smile, rule, conquer, reduce, retetf-melt, fhun, fail." SPI 31 Hi a .js'ii^ttt:.'

I LECTURE xn. OF XIUEIEGUZ>AXI VERB . Irregular verbs are those which do not form their imperfect tense and perfect participle by the addition of d or ed to the present tense; as, Pres. Tense, Iniperf. Tense. Perf. or Pass. Part-. I write, I wrote, written. I begin, I began, begun. I go, 1 went, gone. The following is a list of the irregular verbs. Those marked with a R, are sometiiaes conjugated regularly. Pres. Tense, Abide Am Ariia Awake Bear, to bring forth Bear, to carry Beat Begin Bend BereaTC Beseech, Bid Bind Bite Bleed Blow Break Breed Bring Build Burst Buy Cast Catch Chide dhoose Cleave, to adhcrcy Cleave, to spUt, Cling Clothe Come Cost Crow Creeo Cut ' hnperf. Tertte. Per/, or Pass. Part. abode abode was been arose arisen awoke, R> awaked baie barn bore borne beat beaten, beat began begun bent bent bereft, R. bereft, R. besought besought bade, bid, bidden, bid. bound bound bit bitten, bit. bled bled blew blown' broke broken bred bred brought brought built built burst, R. burst, R. bought bought cast east caught. R. caught, R. chid chidden, chick chose chosen clave, R. eleaved cleft, or clove. cleft, cloven. clung clung clothed came clad, R. come cost co;t crew, R. crowed crept crept cut DUt

IRUEGULAR VERBS. 125 Pres. Ttnse. Imperf. Tense. Per/, or Pass. Fart Dare, to venture. durst dared Dare, to challege, Regular. Deal dealt, R. dealt, R. Dig (lug, R. dug, R. Do did done Draw drew drawn Drive drove driven Drink drank drunk, drank.' Dwell dwelt, R. dwelt, R. Eat eat, ate. eaten Fall feel fallen feed fed fed Feel felt felt Fight fought fought Find found found Flee fled fled Fling flung flung Fly flew flown Forget forgot forgotten Forsake forsook forsaken Freeze froze frozen Get got gott Gild gilt, R. gilt, R. Gird girt, R. ?irt, R. Give gave given Go went gene Grave graved graven,E Grind ground ground Grow grew grown Have had had Hang hung, R. hung, R. Hear heard heard Hew hewed hewn, R. Bide hid hidden, Liii Hit hit hit Hold held held Hurt hurt hurt Keep kept kept Knit knit, R. knit, K Know knew known Lade laded laden Lay laid laid Lead led led Leave left left Lend lent lent Let let Lie, t!) lie down, lay lain Load loaded laden,R. Lose lost lost If ij: .



* The men were drunk; i. e. inebriated; Thetoastsweredranfc. t Gotten is nearly obsolcfc. Its compound fo Tgottep, is still \a - ood use.

126 ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX, ^M! Pres. Ttnse. Make Meet Mow Fay Put Read Read Rid Ride Ring Rise Rive Run Saw Say See Seek Sell Send Set Shake Shape Shave Shear Shed Shine Show Shoe Shoot Shrink Shred Shut Sing Sink Sit Slay Sleep Slide Sling Slink Slit Smite Sow Speak Speed Spend Spill Spin Spit SpUt 1 rang. Imperf. Teme. made met mowed paid put read rent rid fode rung, rose rived ran sawed said saw sought sold sent set shook shaped shaved sheared shed shone, R. showed shod shot shrunk shred shut snng, sane:,t sunk, sankjt sat slew slept slid slung slunk slit, R. smote sowed spoke sped spent spilt, R. spnn spit, spat, split Perf. oT Pasr. Part. made met mown, R. paid put lead itnt rid rode, riddea.* rung risen riven run sawn, R. (aid seen sought sold sent set shaken / shaped, sharpeB; shaven, R, shorn shed shone, R*. shown shod shot shrunk shred shut sung sunk sat slain slept sliddea slung slunk slit, R. smitten sown, R. spoken sped spent split, R. spun spit, spitten,:);. split ^ * Riddei(i ncarfy obsolete. t Sang and sank should not be leed in famllito M SDittcnie newly ot/tolct. BtyV

IRREGULAR VERBS. 172 Pees, Tense. Jmperf. Tense. Perf. or Pass. Parf Spread spread Spring sprung, sprang, sprung Stand stood Steal stole stolea Stick stuck Stin stung Stink stunk Stiide strode, strid. stridden Strike struck or stricken String strung Strive strove striven strowD, strowed, or strewcd,- Strow or strew, strowed or strewed Sweat swet, R. swet, R. Swear swore sworn Swell swelled swollen, R. Swim swum, swam, swum Swing swung Take took. taken Teach taught taught Tear tore torn Tell told told Think thought thought Thrive throve, R thriven Throw threw thrown Thrust thrust thrust Tread trod trodden Wax waxed waxen, R. Wear wore worn Weave wove woven Wet wet wet, R. Weep wept wept Win won won Wind wound wound Work wrought, worked. wrought, worked. Wring wrung wrung Write wrote written In familiar writing and discourse, the following, and some other verbs, are often improperly terminated by t instead of erf; as " learnt, spelt, spilt, stopt, latcht." They should be, learned, spell-ed, spill;5d, stopped, latched." You Lay now conjugate the following irregular verbs in a manner similar to the conjugation of regular verbs j arise, begin, bind, do, go, grew, run, lend, teach, write. Thus, to arise Indicative mood, pres. tense, first person, sing. I arise; imperf. tense,! arose; perf. tense, I have arisen; nnd so on, through all the moods and all the tenses of each mood; and then speak the participles: thus, pres. ari- sing, perf. arisen, comp. perf. having arisen. In the next place conjugate the same verb in the second person sing ">.,'* 1' | |f*:!! "|

#/' 1'W.:.1 'f ft 128 ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX. throiio-h all the moods niid ter.scs; and then in tlie third per-on sing, and in the first per?, plural. After that, you may proceed in the same manner with



the words be<;in, bind, &c. ^ ^ i- Now read the XI and XIi lectures/our orfive tunes over, and learn the order of parsmg a verb. You will then be prepared to parse the following: verbs in full; and, I presume, all the other parts of speech. Whenever you parse, you must refer to the Compendium for dehnitions and rules, if you can not repeat them without. I will now parse a verb, and describe all its properties by applying the de-finitions and rules according to the systematick order. We could not accomplish the business." Couhl accomplish is a verb, a word which signifies to do __ivctive, it expresses action transitive, the action passes over from the nom. "we" to the object "business" regu- lar it will form its imperfect tense of the indic, mood and perf part, in cd potential mood, it implies possibility or L-ver imperf tense, it denotes past time however di.=tant tirst person plural, because the nom. "we" is with which H ao-rees, agreeably to Rule 4. A verb must agree, kc. Conuinated Indic. mood, pres. tense, first person, sing. I ac- complish; imp tense, I accomplished; perf 1 have accom- plished plupei-iect, I had accomplished; and so on. bpe.ak it in the first person of each tense through all the moods, and-conjugate, in the same manner, every verb you parse. EXERCISES IN PARSING. T'lesc exercises contain a complete varieti/ of Moods and Tense.i. I learn my lesson well. Charles, thou learnest thy les- ion badly John, do you write a good hand 1 Those ladies w-ote a beautiful letter, but they did notdespatch it Have you seen the gentleman to whom I gave the hook? He has "f one Thev had received the news before the messenger arrived When wilUhose persons return? My fnenr shall receive bis reward. He will have visited me thtes (imes, if he come to-morrow., ^ . . te-ir^^iM^i^ If Eliza study diligently, she will improve. Km^^l^ studies he does not improve. Unless that man 8^(,li^y^ iccomplished his work by midsummer, he will rfe^Jf'., wages., Orlando, obey my precepts, unless you *!.!* - - jure yourself. Remember whatever is toW V-l^,..,v^ ^ pire yo'ii='="iicii-..."^..... Aa-i.- "' "i physicianmay administer the medicme, I)BV | ^**f%ij .'lone can bless it, I told hini; that be m'^ltP*'-'^*.;-.?'^

AUXILIARY VERES. i2# m Wfiuld not. He might have gone last week, had he con- ducted himself properly; (that is, if he had conducted, 4-c.) Boys, prepare to recite your lessons. Young ladies, let me hear yon repeat what yo have learned. . Study, diligent- ly, whatever task may be allotted to you. To correct th " spiritof discontent, let us consider how little we deserve. To die for one's country is glorious. How can we become wise? To seek God is wisdom. What is true greatness? Active benevolence. A good man is a greqt man. Note 1. Man, following great, and what, in the last two exam- ples, are nom. after ij; Rule 21. To seek God, and, To die for me^s c(yu.ntry, are members of sentences, each pat as the nom. case to is respectively: Rcle 24. The verb to correct is in the infinitive muoJ abaolute: Note under Rule 23. May be allotted is a passive Tcrb, agreeing Vf itb which, the relative part of whatever. Thai, the first part of whatever, is an adj. pronoun, agreeing with tesft; and iask is governed by study. Hear, following let, and repeat, following hear, are in the infinitive mood without the 9ie;n to, according to Rule 25. To recite is governed hy prepare; Rule i3. Is told, is a passive verb, agreeing with which, the rel. part of whatever; and joufollowing, is gov.



by In understood: Note I, under Rule 32. 2. In parsing a pronoun, if the noun for which it stands is not ex- pressed, you must say it represents some person or thing understood- LECTURE XIII. OF THE AUXILIARY, PASSIVE, AND DEFECTIVE VERBS, X. ATrXXXIZABir VERBS. Before you attend to the following, additional remarks on the Auxiliary Verbs, you will d well to read again what is said respecting them in lecture XI. page 117. The short account there given, and their application in conjugating verbs, have already made them quite familiar to you: and you have undoubtedly observed, that without their help, we can not conjugate any verb in any of the iyenses, except the present and imperfect of the indicative IftaBd subjunctive moods, and the present of the imperative I aurtj infinitive. In the formation of all the other tenses, they afebrought into requisition. Mo>; of the auxiliary verbs are defective in conjugation, ihiiif is they are used only in some of the moods and tenses; aivd wiien nnconnectpd with principal verbs, they are coa- iuf ated in the following manner. it, r4

136 ETYMOLOGY AND SYISTAX. '!it.i"i MAY. Pres. ^Sing. I may, thou mayst, lie may. Tense. (i'lur. We may, ye or)ou may, they may. Imperf. \f>)ng. I misrht, thou mightst, he might. Tense- (Plur. We mie:ht, ye or you might, they might. CAN. Pres. iSing. I can, thou canst, he can. Tense. (Plur. We can, ye or you can, they can. Imperf. \Sing, I couUi, thou couldst, he could. Tense. (Plur. We could, ye er you could, they could. 'WILL. Pres. ^"\ing. I will, thou wilt, he will. Tense. \Plur. We will, yeoryou will, they will. lm))erf. \Sing. I would, thou wouldst, he would. Tense. (Hur. We would, ye or you would, they would. SHALL. Pres. iSing. I shall, thou slialt, he shall. Tense. (Plur. Wn shall, ye or you shall, they shall. Imperf. ^Sin'g. I should, thou shouldst, he should. Tense. (Plur. We should, ye or you should, they should. TO DO. Pros. ^Sing. I do, thou dost or doest, hedoth or does. Tense. (Plur. I do, ye or you do, they do. Imperf. iSing. I did, thou didst, he did. Tense. (Plvr. We did, ye or you did, they did. Parliciples. Pres. doing. Perf. done- TO BE. Pres. '^Sing. I am, thou art, he is. 'I'ense. \Plur. We arc, ye or you are, they arc. Imperf. {Sing. 1 was, tho'ii wast, he was. Teftse. (Plur. We were.'i je or you were, they were. Parlicipten. Pres. being. P if. been. TO HAVE. Pros. (Sing. I have, thou bast, he hath or has. Ten^c. (Plur. V/e have, ye or you have, Chey have. Imr.eif. (^'mj. I had, thou hadst, he had. Tense. . \Plur. Wo had, ye or you had., they had. Participles. Pres. having. Perf. had. j Do, be. have, and ziill. are sometimes used as prir.cip vevN; and when employed as such, do, be. and have, rruij ! | : |! conjnwnted. by the help of other auxiliaries, thronglj 4^4 the moods and tenses. / ' \';->> Do. T'.ie different tenses of do, in the several noj are thus f'-rmed: Itidir.itive mood, pres, tense, t:rst pcti sin?. do; imperfect tense. I<lid: perf. 1 have imni;; jjM perfect, I had done; tiist fut. I shall or willdo: stc, vah

tONJUGATIOX OF VERBS. 131 m.-?hall have (lone. Siiljiinctive mood, pres. tense. If I do; iin|ierf. if I did; and so n. Imperative mood, do thou. Potential, present, I may, can, or must do, &c. Intinitive, present, to do; perf to have done. Part. Pres. doing, peif. (lone; cora)ound perf. having done. Have. Have is in great demand. No verb can be conju- gated through all the moods and tenses without it.



tluve, when used as a principal verb, is doubled in some of the past tenses, and becomes an auxiliary to it.'^elf: thus. Indie, mond. pres. tense, tirsi pers. sing. 1 have; imp. tense, I had; perf I have had; pluperf 1 hail had; hrst fut. Uhall or will have; sec. fut. 1 shall have had. Subjuictive, present, if I have; impcrf if I had; perf if I have had; plup. peif if I hid had; first fut if I shall or will have; sec. fut. if I shall have had. Imper. mood, have thou. Potential, present. I may, can, or must have; linperf I might, could, would, or should have; perf 1 may, can, or must have had; plup. perf. I might, could, would, or should have had. Infinitive, present, to have; perf to have had. Part. pres. having; peif had; compound, perf. having i^ad. Be. In the next place I will present to you the conjuga- tion of the irregular, neuter verb Be, whi(h is an auxiliary ivheneverit is placed before the perfect participleot anoth- er verb, but, in every other situation, it is n principal verb To Be. Indicative Mood. iSine. I nm, thou art, he, she or it is. \Plur. We are, ye or you are, they are, iSin^. I was, thou wast, he was. ~ (I'lur. We wire, ye or you were, they were. SSing. I have heen, thou hast been, he has been. Plur. We liave btpii, you have been, they have beea. <,Sing. I hail been, thou haiisi been, he had been. (Plur. We had been, you had been, they had been. (.Srao-. I shall or will be, thou shall or wilt be, he shall, &c. (Plur. We shall or will be, you shall or will be, they, &c. Srnr;. I shall have hern, thou wilt have been, ho -n'lU, S:c. Plur. We shall have been, you will have been, they, &c. SuB.TUiVCTivE Mood. < Smg. If I be, if thou be, if he be. jPlnr- If we l)e, if \e or you be, if they be. 5 SVn/r- "I were, iflhou wert, if he were.)Pt^tr. If we were, ifyeoryou were, if they were. .fl.hf ileutr verb to Ae, and all passive verbs, have two ' ^1^ o iJw imperfect tense of this mood, as well as in the 'M*t^".' '.b^refore the following rule may serve to direct Pres. Tease. Inipcrf. Tense. Perf. Tense. Pluperf Tense. First Fnt. T. Secund Fut. T. 'Tes. i'ljasc. -<| ^ii^'|, ti ^; |^

"W^^^ 132 ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX. you in the proper use of each form. When the sentence implies doubt, supposition, &c. and the neuter verb be, or the passive verb, is used with a reference to present or future time, and is either followed or preceded by another verb in the imperfect of the potential mood, the conjunctive form of the imperfect tense must be employed; as, "If he were here, we should rejoice together;" "Shemight go, raereshe so disposed." But when there is no reference to present or future time, and the veib is neither followed nor preceded by another in the potential imperfect, the indicative form of the imperfect tense must be used; as, "If he rxas ill, he did not make it known;" "Whether he was absent or present, is a matter of no consequence." The general rule for using the conjuntive form of the verb, is presented on page 121. See, also, page 114. The perfect, pluperfect, and first future tenses of the subjunctive mood, are conjugated in a manner similar to the correspondent tenses of the indicative. The second future is conjugated thus: Second < Sing. If I shall have been, if thou shalt have been, ic. Fut. T. \ Plur. If we shall have been, if you shall have been, &i;. Imperative Mood. Pres. < Sing. Be, or be thou, or do thou be. Tense. < Plur. Be, or be ye or you, or do ye or yon be. Potential Mood. r Sing. I may, can or muft be, thou mayst, canst or must Pros. S be,



he may, can, or must be. Tense.) Plur. We may, can, or must be, ye or you may, canw (must be, they may, can, or roust be. C Sing. I might, could, would, or should be, thou,&c. Jmperf. Tense. Perf. Tense. Pluper. Tense. (Plur. We might, conld, would, or sliould be, you, &c. iSing I may, can, or must have been, thou mayst, &c. iPlur. VVemay,can,or must have been, >ou may, &c. iSing. I might, could, would or should have b(Scn, ic, \piur. We might, could, would, or should have been,4c. Infinitive Mood. Pres. Tense. To be. Perf. Tense. To have been. Participlfs Pres. Being. Perf. Been. Comp. Perf. Haying teen. This verb to be, though very irregular in its corjugation, is by far the most important verb in our language, for it is more frequfotly used than a.^} other, and, wi(ho>jt 'ts aid, D(i Tissue verb can be coiijt^aled. Yon ought,there'^tie, to n.nke yourself perfectly familiar with all its chiitigeS)^?- fore you proceed any further... J

PASSIVE VKUBS. 133 II. PASSIVE VERBS. Tlie cases of nouns are a fruitful theme for investigation mil (JiscussiOii. In tlie progress of these lectures, this sub- lact has frequently engaged our attention; and now, irijin- aoducing to your notice the passive verb; it may, per- haps, be found both interesting and profitable to present. oae more view of the nominative case. Every sentence, I you recollect, must have one finite verb, or more than one, and one nominative, either expressed or implied, for, witliout them, no sentence can exist., The nominative is the actor or subject concerning which I the verb makes an affirmation. There are three kinds of mmmtiliwes, active, passive, And neuter. The nominative to an active verb, is active, because it produces an action, and the nominative to ^passive verb, is passive, because it receives or endures the action expressed by the verb; for, A Passive Verb denotes action received or mdiired by the person or thing which is the nominative; as, " The boy is beaten by his fath- er." You perceive, that the nominative boy, in this example, is not represented as the actor, but as the object of the ac-tion expressed by the verb is beaten; that is, the bov receives or endures the action performed by his tather; there- fore 60j/is apassiTie nominative. And you observe, too th;it the verb is beaten denotes the action received or en-dured by the nominative; therefore is beaten is a passive verb. If (say, John kicked the horse, John is an active nomina-tive, because he performed or projiduLed the action; but if U<t. J 'hn :vas kicked by the horse, John is a pii^slve nom- ioiitive. because he received or endured the action. Tlie iMminative toa neuter verb, is n<er, because it does not produce an action nor receive one; as, John sits in the ch:.,r. J ^ in is here connected with the neater verb sits, hi 'i expresses simply the existence, being, or state of be-, |||, ot Its nominative, therefore JoAn is a neuter nominative. LIwill now ill'istrale the active, passive, and neuter nom- BHtvBs by 3 few v^xamples. ' Of ,\rTivE Nominatives; as, "The boy beats the \; The lady sings; the bait rolls; The man walks " ':;,i, ; j^- ///

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3/1 ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX. II Of Passive Nominatives; "S, " The Joy is beaten; The/aA, is loved; The hall is rolled; The ,/,an was killed." III Of Neuter Nominatives; as, ' 1 he 6oi/ remains idlej'TheW)/ is beautiful; The 6a//lies on the ground; The nia lives in town." You may now proceed to the conjugation of passive verbs. Passive Verbs are called regular wlien their perfect participle ends in ed; as, was loved. All Passive Verbs are formed by adding the perfect participle of an activetiansitive verb, to the neuter verb to be. If you rdace a perfect participle of an active transitive verb "after this neuter veib he, in any mood or tense, jou V II have aam-.e verb in the same mood and tense that the verb he would be in if the participle were not used; as 1 am slhhied; I was slighted; He will be shighted It 1 be /ZS mn^can, or must \.e slightedA-c Hence you ,Seh4, that when you shall have learned thexonjugation of the verb be, you will be able to conjugate any passive verb in the English language. , , , r i u The regular passive verb to he loved, which is formed by adding the perfect participle loved, to the neuter verb t, be is conjugided m the following manner. To Be Loved. Indicative Mood. (S,Vt? nim loved, thou art loved, lie IS loved. \%uf: We are lov'ed, ye or you are loved, they are loved. (Sin^ I was loved, thou wast loved, he was loved. ?;"f We were lo;ed, ,ou were loved, they were loved, iSine I have been loved, thou hastbeen loved, he I>as,&c. Tense f^I. We have been loved, you have been loved, he,,4.c. n r c s; 1 had been love.t, thou badst been loved, be, Lc. S - Vvl hadbeen lov'ed, you had been loved, they, &o. Subjective Mood. P,,, iSing. Xnhe loved, if thoube I^t'\'^''^, ,', hr W. T;^;e. - \piur. If we be loved, if ye or you be loved, il the , ^.^ '^'AThUmVo.tto/ srx tenses: See conj. of the verb to he. ^ Imperative Mood., t> = I SinL' Be thou loved, or do thou beloved. &. 1 R^t: Be j.or you loved, or do ye bo loved. Pres. Tease. Imperf. TeufC. Perf.

PASSIVE VERBS. Potential Mood. 135 Pres. (Si'i^- I may, can, or must be loved, thou mayst, &c. Tense. \Plur. We may, can, or must be loved, you may, &c. Imperf. O'^o' '>"isht, couki, would, or should be loved, &c. Tense. \Plur. We might, could, would, or should be loved, &g. Perf. {Sing. I may, can, or must have been loved, thou, &c. Tense. (Plur. We may, can, or must have been loved, you, &c. SSing. I niic;ht, could, would or should have been loved, thou inighlst, cotildst, wouldst, or shouldst, &c. Plur. Wc might, could, would, or should have been loved, you might, could, would, or should, <S:c. Infinitive Moon. 'res. Tense. To beloved. Perf. Tense. To have been loted". Participles. Present. Being loved. Perfect or Pass. Loved. Compound Perfect. Having been loved. Note. This conjugation of the passive verb to be loved, is called In-passive voice of the regular active-transitive verb to love. Now conjugate the following passive verbs; that is, speak them in the first pers. sing, and plur. of each tense, through all the moods, and speak the participles; " to be loved, to be rejected, to be slighted, to be conquered, to be seen, to be beaten, to be sought, to be taken." Note 1. When the perfect participle of an intransitive verb is joined to the neuter verb to be, the combination is not a jiassive lerb, but a neuter verb in a passive form; as, " lie is gone; the bir<la itijlown; The boy IS grown; My friend I's arnVerf." The correct- ness of this mode of expression, however, is questionable. Thi following construction of these clamples, appears to be preferable; "Hc/msgone; The birde have flown;



The boy has grown; My Wend has arrived." 2. .Active and neuter verbs may be conjugated by adding their present participle to the auxiliary verb to be, through all its varia- lions; as, instead of, I teach, thou teachest, he teaches, &c. wo Bay say, I am teaching, thou art teaching, he is teaching. Sec. and imtead of, I taught, &c.; I waa teaching, &c. This mode of conju- gation expresses the continuation of an action or state of htiug; and has, on some occasions, a peculiar propriety, and contributes to the harmony and precision of language. When the participle lu active veib, is joined with the neuter verb to be, the two Ills united, arc, by some grammarians, denominated an active b, rither transitive or intransitive, as the case may be; fts, "I 1 uritinp; a letter; He is walking;" and when the participle of a iler verb is thus employed, they term the combination a neuter b; as, "I am sitting; He is standing." Others, in constru"- "slike these, parse each word separately. Either mode niav iJopted, and the result willbe the same. m

136 ETYMOLOGY' AND SVIN'TAX. HI. DEFECTIVE VEUBS. Defective Verbs are those wlucli are used only in some of the moods and tenses. The principal of them are lliese: Pres. Tense. Imperf. Tense. May, Can, Will, Shall, Must, Ought, might. coold. would. rhoulii-. must. onght. quoth. Per/, or Pass. Pariicif(c is wanting. Note. Musi aad ought are not varied. Ought anii quoth aienever used 39 auxiliaries. Ought is alwaia followed by a verb in the infinitive mood, which verb determines its tense. Ought is in the present tense when the infinitive following it is in the present; as, "He ought to do it;" and ought is in the imperfect tense when fol- lowed by the perfect of tlie infinitive; as, " He ought to have done it." Before you proceed to the analysis of the following es- amples, you may read over the last t/ircc lectures carefully and attentively; and as soon as you become acquainted with all that has been presented, you will understand near-ly all the principles and regular constructions of our lan- guage. In parsing a verb, or any other part of speech, be careful to pursue the systematick order, and conjugate every verb until you become familiar with all the moods; ind tenses. ' lie should have been punished hehre he committed that atrocious deed." Sliould have been punished is a verb, a word that signifies to do passive, it denotes action received or endured by the nom. it is formed by adding the perfect part.pmiisW lo the neuter verb to 4e regular, the perf. part, ends in ((^ potential mood, it implies obligation, &c. pluperfect tense, it denotes a past act which was prior to the other past time ppeciticd by "committed" third pers. sing. num. because the nom. "he" is, with which it agrees: Rule 4. The verb must asree, ^ c. Conjn^i\led h\d\c. mood, pres. tense, I am pumshed; imp. tense, I was punished; perf. tense, I have been punished; and so on. Ccinjugli*j1^, through all the moods and tenses, and speak the partiC: * EXERCISES IN PARSING. ^/ ';'*\^ Columbus discovered America. America was disco^e by Columbus. The preceptor h writing a letter. '{'

EXERCISES IN PARSING. 137 letter is written by the preceptor. The work can be done. The hnu.so ivould have been Iⁿuilt ere this, had he fullilled bis juomise. If 1 he beaten by that man, he will be punish- ed. Young man, if you wish to be respected, you must be more assiduous, ISeing ridiculed



and despised, he left the institution. He is reading Homer. They are talking. He may be respected, if be become more ingenuous. My worlliv friend ought to be respected for his benevolent deeds. This ought ye to have done. ADDITIONAL EXERCISES IN PARSING. All the roost important principles of the science, together with many of the roles, have now been presented and illus- trated. But, before you proceed to analyze the lollowing exercises, you may turn over a few pages, and you will find all the rules presented in a body I'lease to examine them critically, and parse the examples unler each rule and note. The examples, you will notice, are given to illus- trate the respective rules and notes under which they are pkced;.-hence, by paying particular attention to them, you will be enabled fully and clearly to compi-ehend the mean- ing and application of all the rules and notes. As soon as you become familiarly acquainted with all the hfinilions, so that you can apply them with facility, you, may omit them in parsing; but you must always apply the alesof Sy^ntax. When you parse without applying the lefinitions, you may proceed in the following manner, " Mercy is the true badge of nobility." Mercy is a noun common, of the neuter gender, third'. person, singular number, and in the nominative case to is;" Rule 3. The nominative case governs the verb. 'h is an irregular, neuter verb, indicative niood, pment ense, third person, singular number, agreeing with "ihCr-y," according to Rui^l'. 4. The verb must agree, <S-c. The is a detinite article, belougfing to "badge" in the n;ulRrnumber: Rule 2. The definite article the, kc. Trite is an adjectile in the positive degree, and belong' Si.e.noan - badge;" Ru:.e 1G. .ldi, belong, ^c. fe | | *e is a noun com. neuter gender, third person, sing "iwpetV ;tft in the nominative case a/ier " is," and put by ipfe'.Wu with -'mercy," according to Rule 22. The W.fo 5ffl liae the same case after it as before it. ^/ is..>, preposition, connecting badge" and "nobility." filojving.tte relation between thera. " M 2 it: ?1

"#. 138 ETiilOUJGV AND STfATAX, A'obility is a noun of multitude, mas. and fern, gender, third person, sing, and in the obj. case, and governed bjr .. of:" Rule 31. Prepositions govern the objective case. EXERCISES IN PARSING. Learn to unlearn what you have learned amiss. What I forfeit for myself is a trifle; that my indiscre- tions should reach mv posterity, wounds me to the heart. Lady Jane Gray fell a sacrifice to the wild ambition of the duke of Northumberland. King Missipsi charged his sons to consider the senate and people of Rome as proprietors of the kindom of Numidia. Hazael smote the children of Israel in all their coasts; and from what is left on record of his actions, he plainly appears to have proved, what the prophet foresaw him ta be, a man of violence, cruelty, and blood. Heaven hides from brutes what men, from men what spirits know. He that formed the car, can he not hearf He that hath ears to hear, let him hear. Note I Learn, in tl.e first of the preceding examples, is a tran-sitive verb, because the action passes over from the nom. you un-erltoad, to Ike rest of the sentence for it. object: Rule 24. In the . cxt cxampie, thai my indiscretions should reach viy posterity, is p t of a sentence put as the nominative to the verb uounds, accordiDf "trtXoln sacrifice, iu the third example, is nom. after these tive-intransitive verb fell: Ru le 22. rhc uonn proprietors, in the Lext "entence, is in the objective case, and put by apposition wu6 ri and/^/e; RuLET.'or gov.



by consider understood, accord- ""?>*'In^he fifih example, u-hal following .,rerf, is a comp. relati.-; Thai, the anteo. pnrt is in the nom. case after to 6e under, stool and put by apposition with/<e, accoiding to Rule 21 and Note 41 ft, the' relative part, is inthe obj. case after o 6e ex-; Tre"^d, and put by apposition ith him, according to he sa^e H rVr Jtfan Is in the o' icctive case, put by apposition with M S ^'^ Thelottci part of the sentence may be literally rendered fhus' He p'ainl appears to have proved io\e that base cft,.cto ,-li, the m-o bet foresaw him to be, viz. a mn of violence, cruel- Ltence ^ "-ov by hide,; and u)nch, the rel part, ,sgov. by ,b, Wstond The antec. part, of the second i,'hal, u gov, Vji i^ :; ': ooi a^Uhe rel. plrt il gov. ^ ^^ <^^11^1^^ 4 The i^ St he in the seventh example i*, m the 0 | *'tt-^.i^ om to can hear understood; but Mr. N. R. Smith, a Ovt^'J.J^ mTacute Erammarian, suggests the propriety of rendetiii.jfe^^B tince thus^" He that formtd the ear,/.rm.d U to hear : ^f>fm {iLTi" The first 7,e in the last example, is redundairt: yH,^^ coL'truction is sometimes admissible, for the e^i>'^mf --^" "^^

I. 2. 3. 4. 6. 6. 7. iixtRCisES IN taksinC; 13U .'|) le than it woalt bi to say, "Let him hear who hath cars to hear;" and if we ado;)t the ingenious method of Mr Smith, the sentence is grammatical, and maj he rendered thus; "He that hath cars, hatli cars to hear; let him hear." You ili please to analyze the following examples in full. 'I'he remarks subjoined, are designed meiely to cast a little light on the most difficult words. EXERCISES IN PARSING. Idioms, anothalies, and intricacies. " The wall is threeyee< high." " His son is eight years old." " My knife is worth a shilling^ " She is worth him and all his contiexions." 'The hat cost ten dollars."" The load weighs a toji." The spar measures ninety vie^" Remarks. These expressions are generally considered idiomai- ical, a close examination of them, however, will show, that they oii'lit to be ranked among the anomalies of our language. Some iilioms can be aualyze<1; others can not: but, as the word anomalu sigmQes a variation or departure from the rules and principles of a language, it is unnecessary to add, that an anomaly can not be par-ed. The nouns feet, i/ears, and shilling, in the preceding exam- ples, are not in the nominative case after is, according to Rule 21, because they are not in apposition with the respective nouns that precede the verb. That the word worth requires an objective case after it, in such conftruction.s, is readily conceded, for this fact it proved by the use of/u'm in the 4th example; but to say, as some authors do, that "shilling, him, and conneMons," are Governed by the adjective v.'orth, appears to Le assigning))owers and prop- 'Tties to this part of speech whicli its nature and character do not iipport. And furthermore, worth, in these examples, is evidently ii noun; which may be proved by varying the construction thus, "The worth of my knile is a shilling." Others suppose, that worth is governed by a preposition understood, and that shilling, him, fcc. ate in apposition with it; as, " My knife is in worth a shilling." The sense is complete, however, without the preposition; and -herefore this mode of analyzing it is erroneous. Others, again, attempt to parse those words by applying a rule which they boi- iiiw from the Latin: " N'ouns signifying extension, duration, weight. .>r value, are put in the objective without agoveruing word." But, iiis rule is absurd: for the governing word, and it only,



detPrmiQc? the case of a noun or pronoun. This rMle is again modilied with a kw 'o render it less exceptionable, by some who express it thus, 'Souns signifying extension, duration, weight or value, arc used V?tj|})i>ut a govprninj word." This is undoubtedly correct; and lli}"fi)fy idea it conveys, shows that it is useless, and paramount ono rale at all: those, also, who pretend to parse agreeably to i(.! B"t analyxe at all. Thus I have taken a slight dance at thr 'iij'erect views of grammarians in relation to this subject; and sine hi 4 L.

m '^m 140 ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX. Methuught I was incarcerated beneath the I am not disposed to agree witli any of them, perhaps it may be demanded in what manner I would parst these examples nijself. An answer is at hand. I would not parse them at all; nor any other anomalies. An anomaly transcends all rule; therefore it can not be analyzed. The verbs cost, weighs, and measures, in the 5 G, and Tex-.imples, may be construed as transitive. See remarks on resemble, have, &c. page 42. EXAMPLES. 8. " And God said,' Let there be light, and there was light." " Let us make man." " Let us bovr before the Lord." " Let high-born seraphs tune the lyre." 9. " Methinks 1 see the portals of eternity wide open to receive him." mighty deep." 10. "Their laws and their manners, generally speaking, were extremely rude." " Considering their means, they have effected much." 11. "Ah me! norhope nor life remains." " Mc miserable! which way shall 1 lly?" 12. O happiness!om-being's end and aim!" 'Good, pleasure, ease, content! whate'er thy name.'* PiEM.iRKS. In relation to the examples under number 8, in which the verb lei appears to have no nominative, the learned iVoah' Webster has the following remark; "There is a peculiar felicity in being thus able to use a verb in its true sense, and with its prop, er object without specifying a nominative; for the verb is thus left applicable to tlie first, second, or third person. If we examine tliese sentences, we shall be convinced of the propriety of the idi- om; forthe ideas require no application to any person whatever." The phrases mettmtj and methought, are idioms which can not be analyzed; for the objective pronoun me, in ihe first person, sup- iiiies the place of a nominative, and takes, a verb after it in the titVrf person: Htm was anciently used in the same manner; as, "him thute, him thought." The expressions,," generally speak- ing " and " considering," under number 10, are also idiomatical, the narticiples having reference to no particular subject. Accord- ing to the genius of the English language, transitive verbs and virepositions require the objective case of a noun or pronoun after them; and this requisition is all that is meant by government, when' we say, that these parts of speech govern the objective case. The same thing holds true in regard to the interjection. "Inter-icctions require the objective case of a pronoun of the first person af U'T them; I) ut the nontumii Be of a noun or pronoun of the second or third person; as, " Ah me! Oh thnu, O my country." To say, then, that interjections require certain cases after them, is synomn', mons with saying, thatthey govern those cases; and this oifice-'J*^^; the interjection is in perfect accordance with that which it p<*^V: forms in the Latin, and many other languages. In the exalniptll under number 11, the first me, is in the objective after "ah," ad'v the second mc, after aft understood; thiis, "Ah miserable me?v.j; ,;^^ieijikUtiii^. m jm



EXERCISES IN PARSING. 141 Bi'oorJing t.i XoTE 2, nndor Rule 5. Happiness, under number 12, ia noth, independent; Rule 5, or in the nom, after O, according to this note. The principle contained in the note, iiroves that every noun of the second person, 15 in the noyninalive case." Good.))leasure, ea=;e, content, that," the antecedent part of wlialcver," and which the relative part, are nom. after be understood: Rule 21, .ind name is nom. to mat/ be understood. EXAMPLES. 13. "Notwithslaniilinghis/iorer<?/, he is content." 14. " All were well but the stranger?" " 1 saw none Wt the stranger^ " All had leturned but /le." " None but the Irave deserve the fair." " The thing they can't hut purpose, Ihey postpone." " This life, at best, is iu2 a dream. It af- fords but a scanty measure of rational enjoyment.". 15. "Open your hand KliVe." "The apples boil o/t." * The purest clay is that which burns k'/ij^c." " Drink ktp or taste not the Pierian spring." 16. " fF/m(</io'the swelling surge thou see?" &c. " rr/ia<)/tle foot, ordain'd the dust to tread." &.c. Remarks. Poverty, under number 13, is governed by tlic prepo- ^iiionnotwithstanding; Rule 31. But is never a preposition. To construe it as such, would lead to errour. The first noun stran- ger, he, and brave, under number 1-1, are all in the nominative case to their respective verbs understood; and the second noun stranger is in the obj. and governed by saw understood, according lo Rule 33. JBut was anciently written in two words, ie out; and it still retains its original meaning. The foregoing examples may be rendered thus, "All were well be out, or leave out the stranger; -i. c. but the stranger iras not well; I saw none, but I saw the tranger; All had returned, but he had not returned; None deserve ihe fair, but the brave deserve tlie fair." It would be improper to 'ay, " All had returned but /a'/n." But, in these constructions, is iidijunctive conjunction; and as usual, joins on a member of the sentence which expresses opposition of meaning, and forms an ex- ception to the general proposition contained in the first member of tlie sentence. But, in the next example, is equivalent in sense to a verb: thus, "Tlie thing they can not aioii/purposing," &c.; (hat is, "They postpone "the act which, (in a moral point of view,) they must purpose, or design to do." Bvt, in the last two examples, iian adverb. The djectives wide, soft, ivhite, and deep, in the ex- umnles under nuuiber 15, not only exoress the quality of nouns, biit'also qualify verbs: Note 4,under Rule 18. TF/iof, in the phra-ses "what tho" and "what if," is an interrogative, and in the "hicctive case, ainl governed by the verb matters understood, or Mine otiler verb: thus, "What matters it what does it signify, tbuuih thou see the swelling surge?" " What should we think, if the foot, which is ordained to tread the dust, asnired to be the head." in the following examples you will find some constructions more difficult than any you have yet j)arsed. \on WMRt therefore, exercise a little judgment, and endeavour

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#; /' 142 feTYlttOLOGY AXD SYNTAX, to comprehend the sense, and (hen, by supplying what is understood, you will meet with little ditficulty. The fol- lowing are instances in which the same word is used as several parts of speech. EXERCISES IN PARSING. I like what you dislike. Every creature



loves its like. Anger, envy, and like par\sions, are sinful. Charity, like the sun, brightens every object around if; Thought flies swifter than light. He thought as a sage, though he felt as a man. Hill often proves destructive to vegetation. I was happy to hail him as my friend. Hail! beauteous stranger of the wood. The more I examine The work, the better 1 like it. Johnson is a better writer than Sterne. Calm was the day, and the scene delightful. We may expect a calm after a storm. To prevent passion is easier than to calm it. Damp air is unwholesome. Guiit olten casts a damp over our sprightliest hours. Soft bodies damp the sound much more than hard ones. Much money has been expended. Of him to whom much is given, much will be required. It is much better to give than to receiv Still water runs deep lie laboured lo still the tumult. Tiiose two young proUigates remain still in the wrong. They wrong themselves as well as their friends. I will now present to you a few examples in poetry. Parsing in poetry, ; is it brings into requisition a higher de- gree of mental exertion than parsing in prose, will be founil a more delightful and profitable exercise. In this kind of analysis, in order to come at the meaning of the author, you wdl find it necessary to transpose his language, and supply what is understood; and then you will have the literal meaning in prose. EXERCISES IN PAUSING. Apostrophe to Hope. C.4Mpbei,i., Eternal Hope! when vonder spheres sublime Pealed their first notes to sound the march of timt Thy joyous youth began: hut not to fade. When all the sister planets have decay'd; te mmm

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Wlien rapt in flames the realms of either glow, And Heaven's last thunder shakes ihe world below; Thou, undisma^'d, shalt o'er the ruins smile, And light ihy torch at Nature's funeral pile! Transposed. Eternal Hope! thy joyous youth began when yonder sub-lime spheies pealed their first notes to sound the march of time: but it began, nottofade. Thou, undismayed, shalt smile over the ruins, when all the sister planets shall have (lecayed,-and thou shalt light thy torch at Nature's funeral pile, when wrapt in fl imes, the realms of either glow, and Heaven's last thunder shakes the world below. Address to adversity. Gray. Daughter of heaven, relentless power, Thou tamer of the human bretst. Whose iron scourge, and tort'nng hour, The bad affright, afflict the best! The gen'rous spark extinct revive; Teach me to love and to forgive; Exact my own defects to scan: IVhat others are to feel; and know myself a man. Transposed. Daushter of heaven, relentless power, thou tamer of (he human breasl, whose iron scourge and torturing hour af- frisht the bad, and afflict the best! Revive thou in me the generous, extinct s)ark;and teach thou me to love others, and to forgive them; and teach thou me to scan my own defects exactly, or critically: and teach thou ine to feel that which others are to feel; and make thou me to know my-eelfto be a man. Address to the Almighty. Pope. What conscience dictates to be done, Or warns the not to do. This teach me more than hell to shun, That more than heav'n pursue. Bdf"i . Transposed. ^^ 6od teach thou me to pursue that (the thing) which ji^Ashipnce dictates to be done, more ardently than I pur- "ft he wen; and teach thou me to shun



this (</(<; thing) which n^cience warns me not to do, more cautiously than 1 would lan hell. 1 j l ill ^i 1..M

144 ETYMOLOGY AND SYNTAX. Trials of Virtue. Merrick^ For see,ah! see! while jet her ways With doubtiul step 1 tread, A hostile world itsterrours raise, Its snares delusive spread. O how shall I, with heart prepared. Those terrours learn to meet? How, from the thousand snares, to guard My unexperienc'd i'eet? Transposed. For see thou, ah! see thou a hostile world to raise its ter-lours and see thou a hostile world to spread its delusive snare's, while I yet tread her {virtue''s} ways with doubtful steps. . O how shall I learn to meet those terrours with a pre- pared heart? (low shall 1 learn to guard my unexperien- ced feet from the thousand snares of the world? The morning in Summer. Thompsok. Short is the doubtful empire of the night; And soon, observant of approaching day. The meekey'd morn appears, mother of dews, At first, faint gleamino; in the dappled east. Till far o'er ether spreads the wid'ning glow, And from before the lustre of her face W^iite break the clouds away. Transposed. The doubtful empire of the night is short; and the meek- eyed morn, {-ehich is the) mother of dews, observant of approaching day, soon appears, gleaming faintly, at fust, in the dappled east, till the widening glow spreads inrover ether, and the white clouds break away from before the lustre of her face. Nature bountiful Akenside. . Nature's care, to all i ei children just, i With richest treasures, a-d an ample state, Endows at large whatever happy man Will deign to use them. Transposed. Nature's care, which is just to all her children, largely er.dows, with richest treasures and an ample state, tba], happy mar who will deign to use them. ^.

POETRY TRANSPOSEID.----PARSINC. 145 "*| Note-Tl'/tat, in the second example, is a comp. rel. Tlie antece-.iuril part is gov. by <o/ceZ understood; and the relative part by hfeel expressed. To shun and to pursue, in the third example, arc II the infinitive mood, gov. by than, according to a Note under il'ile Z^. Faint and/roi)i, in the fifth example, are adverbs. An ad- vi'rb, in poetry, is often written in the form of an adjective. What- n-te, in the last sentence, is a compound pron. and is equivalent to (Aa(and who. That is an adj. pron. belonging to " man;" who is nom. to " will ileign;" and ever is excluded from the sentence in tense. See pajc 94. Parse these examples as they are transpo-,C(1, and you will find the analysis very easy. ADDITIOVU. EXERCISES m T.-VRSING. Gold, not genuine wealth. Where, thy true treasure? Gr iM says, " not in me," Aii^l, "not in me,"" the Diamond. Gold is poor. Transposed. Where is thy true treasure? Gold says, "it is not iii me;" and the Diamond says, it is not"in me." Gold is poor. S'lurce of friendship. Dr. Young. Lorenzo, pride repress; nor hope to find A friend, but what has found a friend ia thee. Transposed. Lorenzo, repress thou pride; nor hope thou to find a friend, only in him who has already found a friend in ihee. True greatness. Pope. Who noble ends by noble means obtains, Or. failing, smiles in exile or in chains. Like good Aurelius let him reign, or bleed Like Socrates, that man is great indeed. Transposed. That man is great indeed, let him to reign like ^'00(1 Aurelius. or let him to bleed like unto Socrates, obtains noble ends by noble means;



or that man is great in- deed, who, failing to obtain noble ends by noble means^, smiles in exile or in chains. Satan"! address to his compeers Milton. ______Him by fraud I have seduced From his Creator, and the more t' increase Your wonder, with an appte! He thereat Offended, worth your laughter, hath given up Both his beloved man, and all his world, To sin and death a prey. Transposed. I have seduced him (Adam) from his Creator by fratid, nd, the more to increase your wouder, 1 have seduced him N B^S unto who? ' i^M t MI M

'>r: 140 ETYMOLOGY AND SY'^'TAX, from his Creator will) an apple'. He, {the Creator.) offeoct- ed thereat, hath given up both his beloved man, and all his world, to be .i prey to sin and death; a circumstance that is worth your laughter. The voyage of life. How few, favour'd by ev'ry element, With syvelling sails make good the promisVI port, With all their wishes freighted! Yetev'n intse. Freighted with all their wishes, soon complani. Free from misfortune, not from nature free, They still are men; and when is man secure? As fatal time, as storm. The rush of years Beats down their strength; their numberless escapes In ruin end: and, now, their proud success But plants new tercours on the victor's brow. What pain, to guit the world just made their own! Their nests so deeply downM, and built so high! Too low they build, who build beneath the stars. Transposed. flow few persons, favoured by every element, safely make the promised port with swelling sails, and with all their wishes freighted! Yet even these few persons hij do safely make the promised port with all their wishes freighted, soon complain. Though they are free from misfortune, yet they are not tree from the course of nature, for they still are men; and when is man secure? Time is as fatal to him, as a storm is to the mariner. The rush of years beats down their strength; {ihat is, the strength of thisefexe:) and their numberless escapes end in ruin: and then their proud success only plants new terrours on ihe victors brow. What) ain it is to thrm ts quit tl e world, just as they have made it to he their own world; when their nests are built so hieh, and when they are downed so deep-ly. 'rhey who build beneath the stars, build too low for their own safety. Reflections on a skull. Lord ByROK. Remove yon skull fion. out the scatrrred heaps. Is that a temple, where a God may (Uvell.^ r.-.. Why, ev'n the worm at biet disdains her shatteTej.l;;; Look on its broken arch, its ruined wall. Its chambers desolate, and portals foul: Yes, this was onre ambition's airy hall. The dome of thought, the pa.!ace of the i:aivrii>^^.

OF DERIVATION. u: Behold, through each lack lustre, eyeless hole, The gay recess of wisdom and of wit, And passion's host, that never brooked control.. Can all, saint, sage, or soidiisl ever writ, People this lonely tower, this tenement relit? Transposeil. Remove thou yonder skull out from the scattered heaps. Is that a temple, where a God may dwell? Why, even the worm at last disdains her shattered cell! Look thou on its broken arch, and look thou on its ruined wall, and on its desolate chambers, and on its foul portals: yes, this skull was once ambition's airy hall, (it -Ji-as) the dome of thought, the palace of the soul. Behold thou, through each lack- lustre, eyeless hole, the gay recess of wisdom



and of wit, and passion's host, which never brooked control. Can all the works, that saints, or sages, or sophists have ever writ- ten, repeople this lonely tower, or cpn they refit this tenement? For your future exercises in parsing, you may select piecesfrom the English Reader, or any other grammatical work. I have already hinted, that parsing in poetry, as it brings more immediately into requisition the reasoning faculties, than parsing in prose, will necessarily tend more rapidly to facilitate your progress: therefore it is advisa- ble that your future exercises in this way, be chiefly confi- ned to the analysis of poetry. Previous to your attempting to parse a piece of poetry, you ought always to transpose it, Ila manner similar to the examples just presented; and lien it can be as easily analyzed as prose. Before you proce^ to correct the following exercises in false syntax, you may turn back and read over the whole birteen lectures, unless you have the subject-matter alrea- ly stored in your miud. LECTURE XIV. OF BERXVii.TXON'. At the commencement of Lecture IL 1 made a few re-'Hitka >}fi derivation, and promised to take up the subject >SaiU in a future lecture. Having treated of the different irteot'words, and their various modifications, which is th<5 .rt of Etymology, and, also, having brought mto n" r"5 #;

'#, 148 ETYMOLOGY ANT> SYJITAX.' tice some of the rules of Syntax, it is now proper to explain to voil the methoas by which one word is delived from sn- other, which may be considered the second part of Etymol- ogy. Before you proceed, however, please to read again what is said on this subject on page 26. 1. Nouns are derived from verbs. 2. Verbs are derived from nouns, adjectives, and sometimes from adverbs. '3. Adjectives are derived from nouns. 4. Nouns are derived from adjectives. 5. Adverbs are derived from adjectives. 1. Nouns are derived from verbs; as, from "to love,'? (jom'es-'lover;" from" to visit, visiter;" from " to survive, surviver," &c, . . In the following instances, and in many others, it is diffi-cult to determine whether the verb was deduced from the noun, or the noun from the verb, vi[^]. "Love, to love; hate, to hate; fear, to fear; sleep, to sleep; walk, to walk; ride, to ride; act, to act," &c. 2. Verbs are derived from nouns, adjectives, and some-times from adverbs; as from the noun salt, con.es " to salt;" from the r.djective u-arm, " to warm;" and fiom the adverb for-jcard, " to forward." Sometimes they are formed by. lengthening the vowel, or softeningthe consonant; as, frooi^ ' grass, to graze;" sometimes by adding en; as, froi^: " length, to lengthen;" especially to adjectives; as, froi^, " short, to shorten; bright, to brighten." ^ i. 3. Adjectives are derived from nouns in the following manner, adjectives denoting plenty are derived from nouns by adding y, as, from "Health, healthy; wealth, wealthy; niiaht. mighty," &c. ^ , . , xi Adjectives denoting the matter out of which any thing is made, are derive*! from nouns by adding e; as, from "Oak, oaken, wood, wooden; wool, woollen," &c. Adjectives denoting abundance are derived from nouns by ail ding/ ui; as, from "Joy, joyful; sm, sinful; hmt, fruitful," &.C. /- r Adjectives denoting plenty, but with some kind ot dimi- nution, are derived from nouns by adding some; us, fi-om -' Light, lightsome; trouble, troublesome; toil, toilsome." toe; .Adjectives denotinjr want are derived fiom nouns by ad-ding less; as, from "Worth, worthless:" from "care, catt-less: joy, joyless," &c. ^5S v^5



of DERIVATION. 149 Adjectives denntinsr likeness are derived from nouns by adding/)/; as; trom Man, manly; earth, earthly; court, courtly," &.C. Some adjectives are derived from other adjectives, or from nouns by adding ishto them; which termination when added to adjectives, imports diminution, or lessening the quality; as," White, whitish;" i e.somewhat white When added to nouns, it signifies similitude or tendency to a char- acter; as, " Child, childish; thief, thievish." Some adjectives are formed from nouns or verbs by ad ding the termination a6/e; and tliose adjectives sig'nify ca-pacity; as. "Answer, answerable; to chang;c. chang-eable." 4. Nouns are derived from adjectives, sometimes by ad- ding the termination ness; as, " White, whiteness; swift, swiftness;" sometimes by adding (/ (or t, and making ii sm;dl change in some of the letters; as, "Long, length: high, height." 5. Adverbs of quality are derived from adjectives, by adding ly, or changing le into ly; and denote the same quality as the adjectives from which they are derived; as, from "base," comes "basely;" from "slow, slowly;" from " able, ably." There are so many other ways of deriving words from One another, that it would be extremely difficult, and near- h impossible, to enumerate them. The primitive words of any language are very few: the derivatives form much the greater number. A few more instances only can be given here. Some nouns are derived from other nouns, by adding the terminations hood or head, ship, ery, -ji'ick, rick, dam, ian, mtnt, and age Nouns ending in hood or head, are such as signify charac- ter or qualities; as, " Manhood, knighthpod. falsehood," &,c. Nouns ending in ship, are those that signify office, em-ployment, state, or condition; as, "Lordship, stev/ardship, partnership," &c. Some nouns in ship are derived from adjectives; as, "Hard, hards-hip," &c. Nouns which end in ery. signify action or habit; as, "Slavery, foolery, prudery," &c. Some nouns of this sort tome! rom adjectives; as. " Brave, bravery " &c Nouns endmg in -jcick, rick, and dom, de.ote domirion, (jarisdiction, or condition; as. "Bailjiwick, bisboprick Ungdom, dukedom, freedom," &c. Nt. Ma

150 RULES OF SYNTAX, Nouns hich end in ian, are those that signify p^fession^ as ' Physician, musican," &c. Those that end .n mm and aL come generally from the French and conuno ly sfc^ufy the act or habit; as, -Commandment," 'usuge.'^ "some nouns endmg in ard, are derived from yerl. _or adje.-tives and denote character or habit; as, Drunk, drunkard: dote,dotard." , ,,> Some u^uns have the form of diminutives; bnt.theseare not many. They are formed by adding the termmations Idn til, ing, ock, cl, and the hke; as, ' Lamb. Uunbk.n; goose;g;sl.ng; duck', duckling; hill, hillock; cock, cock-^'Thafpart of derivation which consists in tracing Eng- lish words to the Saxon, Greek, Latin, French, and other angrages, must be omitted, as the Engh.h scholar is sup- posed not to be unacquainted with these languages. Thft e'rEnglish dictlonarus, will,however thrnish some irdor. mat.on on this head,to those who are desirousol obtaining ,t The learned llorne Tooke, in his - Diversions ot Fur- ev "has given an ingenious account of the derivation ami meaning of many ot' the adverbs, conjunctions, and per- positions. KECAPITUL.\TION OF THE RULES OF SYNTAX, ^^i With additional exercises in False Sijntaa;^ The third part of grammsr is Syntax, which treats of the agreement



and government of words, and of their proper arrangement in a sentence. Syntax consists of two parts, $fe<^{\ }<$ Government. . . '^^B.-^ Co.NcouD is the agreement wlHCft.i.ttm:,^ has with another, in gender, persoii,H'<ftiir case.

aULES OF SY?{TAX. 151 Government is that influence wijicii one |)ait of speecli has over another, in causing it to be in some particular mood or tense, person, num- ber, or case. For the delinition of a sentence, and the transposition of IU words and raeml>ers, see pages 100,105, 108, and 142. The principal pai;ts of a simple sentence, are the nominative r subject; tliat is, the thing spoilen oft the verb or attrilnite, or word that makes the affirmation, and the object, or thing affected by tlic action of the verb; as," A wise man governs his passions."" in this sentence, man is the subject; governs, the attribute; and passions the object. A PHRASE is two or more words rightly put together, making sometimes part of a sentence, and sometimes a whole sentence. Ellipsis is the omission of some word or words, in order to avoid disagreeable and un-necessary repetitions, and to express our ideas concisely, and with strength and elegance. In this recapitulation of the rules. Syntax is presented in a condensed form, many of the essential IVotks being I omitted. This is ii necessary consequence of my genera! I plan, in which Etymology and Syntax, you know, are blend-I ed. Hence, to acquire a knowledge of syntax, from this work, you must look over the '.vhole. Yon may now proceed ar.d parse the following additional exercises in false syntax; and a you inalyze, endeavour to correct all the errours without looking at the Key. If. in correcting these examples, you shotild be at a loss in assign-;,;jng the reasons why the constructions are erroneous, you f' fErei- to the manner adopted in the foregoing .pages. RULE I.: # - i'b'-article a or an agrees with nouns in the 'K^ar number only. individually or collec- m,'.

\ iffei^' 152 RULES OF SYNTAX. lively; as, " J star, an eagle, a score, a thou- sand." RULE 11. The definite article the belongs to nouns in the singular or plural numbet; as, - 3^/ie star, the stars; the hat, the hats." N-o, I. A niccdistiiiclioni.. ihc raeanins is somet.mcs effected ixoijvi. ,r.i, ..rtiilc a If I sav,'-Hp beliiivtMl with littie reverence," my mc.mng is positive. But it I sa.>, ' He bo- ha " mil. little reverence," m> n.eaninfc is negative. By the lo er I rather praise a person; by the latter, 1 iliswraise h,m. W hen Tsa ' Theri were few men with him," 1 speak ,l.,nnintively and mean to rep.esent them as inconsiderable; whereas when I say "There wer^ea few men with him," I evidently intend to make th. "o' TU'\nd;finite article sometimes has the meaning of mr^ or each as, " They cost five shillings a dozen;" that is, ' every dozen.' "' A man he was to all the country dear, " And passing rich with forty pounds a year: that is, ^e..^ year.' j^^j,,_ The nominative case governs the ve-b; as^ / learn, ;/Vou learnest, he learns, iheij learn. RULE IV. The verb must, agree with its nominative in number and person; as, "The bird sings, the birds sing, thou singesL" NoTF 1 Every verb, when it is not in the infinitive mood, must ba^e In^minatiJe, exp'ressed or implied , as, " Awake, arise;" that '^^ Wheifa ;'e'rb7omes between two nouns, either of which may Icath; His meat u;as locusts and wild



hones.' Examples of false Sijnlax. Frponent rommission ot sin har en mei. in it Great pains has been taken to recotKik the jjartie*. So much both of ability and ment.afC se $|4_0Bi \text{ fo-in}^{\land}$. The sincere, i* alwa\s esteemed. ' "t'?i_^'y". Not one of them n:e ii.'ipv- , \j * - What avails tbetje^t senliroents. if people do not suitably to tliem' '

RILES OF SYNTAX. 153 Disappointments sinks the heart of man; but the renew- al if hope give consolation. The variety of the productions of genius, like that of the Operations of nature, are without limit. A variety of blessings have been conferred upon us. Thou can not heal him, it is tiue; hut thou may do some- thing to relieve him. In piety and virtue consist the happiness of man. O thou my voif-e inspire, Who touch'd Isaiah's hallow'd lips with fire. Note 1. Will martial flames forever iire thy mind, AnrI never, never be to Heaven resign'd? He was a man wl)ose inclinations led him to be corrupt, and had great abilities to manage the business. Note 2. The crown of virtue is peace and honor. His chief occupation and Enjoyment were controversy. RULE V. When an address is made, the noun or pro- noun addressed, is put in the nominative case independent; as, "Plato, thou reasonest well; Do, Trim, said my uncle Toby." Note 1. A noun is independent, when it has no verl) to aree with il. 2. Interjections rerinire the objective case of a pronoun of the first person after them, but the iioiiiinative of a noun or pronoun of the second or third person; as, "Ah! me; Oh! thou; O! virtue!" RULE VI. A noun or pronoun placed before a participle, and being independent of \\\p rest of the sentence, is in the nominative case absolute; as, "S'lame being lost, all virtue is lost; The stm being risen, we travelled on." No.-5. Every nominative case, except the cii-o absolute and in- (lpner.^^'nt, should brhins; to some verb, pxnressed or understood; l'. ' 1 .. ,v !..o;n thus, Adani;" that is, ' spohe." RULE vir. .,'-'^,*? *:** ^"'^ nouns, or nouns and pronouns, 4|?tiN% the saiue thinjr, are put, by apposiilj^^.in, ibe same case; as, '^ Paul the apostle-, l^mra the Irinv; Solomon, the son of David, kinb: rtMsrael, wrote many proverbs."

% I51 RULES or SYNTAX. False Syntax. We ought to love God, he "who created and sustains all ^''rife'pronoun he, in tins seutoncc is "^-P^f'f ";^,'!^j".;|'f,",:;;',- imtivecase. It is the object of tht- action ol the ti insitne virb be in the objt.ctiv-e case, hhn, according to Rule 7. (Ilt^CcVt ttic rule, and correct the rollowing.) . 1 saw Juliet and her brother, they that you v.sited. They slew Varus, he that was mentioned betore. It was John, him who preached repentance Adams and Jefierson, them who died on the f""rth of July, were both signers and the firm supporters oi the De- claration ol Independence. i ,i t Acnstus, the Roman Emperor, him who succeeded Ju- lius tsesar, is variously described by historians. RULE VIII. Two or more nouns, or nouns and pronouns, in the singular number, connected by copula- tive conjiuictions, must have verbs, nouns, and pronouns, agreeing with them in the plural; as, "Socrates and Plato ivere wise; they were emi-"Sf^^rfi:f;:..elat.totwoorrnoreno.in.^^^^^ 'A-i, twig, and tver'j drop of water, teems with lite. False Syntax. Coffee and sugar grows in the West Indies: ,t is exported ID large quantities. , ., ,r<^^



Two^inkiar nouns coupled together, form a P^;^" "J^.'-^.a,;" yerh^,-o,rA. improper, because it e^p. es.es ^^e act nol both it_ noa:inativ.s "coffee and sug.r," which - "^;^ b lu "Id be iieoted by the copulative eonj. and; '>f,^fXeJ'u^ar accord- plural,gow; and then it would agree with coffee and .u ar n^ to Rule 8. (Repeat the rule.) The pron. , ^ ' ' "" b'th .he nouns, " colTee and su,ar," ""S'; .^J - ^.^'^ "I, IcS*; asreeably to Rule R The centence should rc'" 'hi. , v-W P^ sugar? , in the We=t Indies: Ihcy arc export, d u. larg* ft*~ titles." ' ;,^J Ti.'iie and tide waits tor no man. ^ Ji Patience and dilig<<nce. like faith, rcmoye= moi^n^^^B^ Life and health is both uncertain. .v^j^Jx^k^ir' AV.sdom, virtue, hapi.iness, dwells with 4h*-f*5!e'^*,' tliocrity.

RULES OF SYNTAX. 155 The planetary system, bouiuUcss space, and the immense cenn, ififects the mind with sensations of astonislitnent. Wiiat signifies the counsel and care of preceptors, when you think you have no need of assistance? Their love, and their hatred, and their envy, is now per- ished. Why is whiteness and coldness in snow. Obey the commandment of thy father, and the law of thy mother: bind it continually upon thy heart. Pride and vanity always render its possessor despica- ble in the eyes of the judicious. Examples for the Note. '\ Every man, wo nan, and child were numbered. Not i>ropir, for, allhough anrf couple? thiiiri tumthpr so as to pre- sent llio whole atonR view, yet every hus a contrary eflyct: it ilis- trib:il'-i til 'in, anil briiic;~ each ii.iiler oonsideratitin oparntely and sinzly. Were nninbered is till ref;ire improper. It sh'iil(l be, "iras nuin'KTod." ia the singular, acco'liig to the iNote. (Repeat it.) Wh'n benie'nity and ;eiitle:iess reign in our breasts, ev- ery person and every occurrence are beheld in the most favourable light. ', j/ _, ^ j,-J- .-a-i. RULE IX. U /^^#^^_^ Two or move nouns, or nouns and pronouns, in the singular number, connecteti by disjunc-tive conjunctions, must have verbs, nouns, and pronouns, agreeing with them in the singular; "as, " Neither John nor James has learned his lesson." Nort; 1. When singular pronouns, or a nonn and pronoun, o(iliH'ereut persons are (lisjniirtively connected, the verb must a(>;ree, in person, with that which is placed nearest to i'; ns, "Thou or I cUm in fault; I or thou art to blame; 1 or thou, or he, is the author! of it." But it would be better to say, "Either I am to blame or ithiiu art," &o. When a disjunctive occurs between a sing-ular nonn or pro- (lu'i, n 1 a plural one, the verb must agree with the plural iionri ffulil iironiiuu, which should eeueruDy be rdaoed next_to the verb; *''N'uther poverty jjor ric/ifs were injurious to him; I or they ^:f^ero offended by it." False Syntax. ^ifennrancfe or negligence have caused this mistalic. , lie verb, ./lai'e caused, in this seiiteiioe, is iruoroiierly used in 'Iteplural, because it expresses the action, not of both' but of cith-ffl ihe one or the other, of its nominatives: therefore it should be - i" 'he sintular, has caused; and then it would agree with ^^ igno- '3nce or negligence," agreeably to Rule 9. (R.";*^! *!ie rale.) fl

156 RULES OF SYNTAX. A circle or a square are the same in idea. Neither whiteness nor redness are the i)or|>tiyry. Npithcr of them are iemarkablo for precision. Man is not such a machine as a clocil or a watch, which move merely as they are moved. When sickness infirmity, or reverse ot fortune,



afiecuSj the sincerity of friendship is proved. Man's happiness or misery are, in a great measure, put onto his own hands. . Despise no infirmity of mind or body, nor any condition of life, for they may be thy own Int. RULE X. A collective noun, or noun of multitude, con-veying unity of idea, must have a v.rb or pro- noun a-ireeing with it in the singular; as, "The meeting was large, and it held three hours." False Syntax. The nation are pmverful. The fleet were seen sailinsr up the channel. The church have no power to inflict corporal punishmpnt. The flock, and not fleece, are, or ought to be, the objects of theshenherd-scare. That nation was on(e powerful: but now they are feeble. RULE XI. A noun of multitude conveying plurality ai i<lea must have a verb or pronoun agreeing with it in the plural; as, "The council mn divided in their sentiments." False Syntax. My people doth not consider, ., , r 3 The multitude ecgerly pursues pleasure as its chief ^ood. The committee was divided in its sentiments, and it has referred the bnsine-^. to the general meeting The ueople reioices in that which should gt\eit sorrcw. _ ^ ^ RULE X!I. a'noun or pronoun in the possessive CI1 sscs; a. "'iM^I governed by the noun it possf happiness; Its value is great' '^. ,V!^ K.),-e. I. po|sessive sig A'heri 'he pos^essoi i rfe'cribed by a eircuitt "il lit: ijvjij 'v- '- v<-> ------ , , - - ,1 ^ . itlouW generally be appli"'! tnthel-^t i-tie

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;h, "The duke of Bridgewater's canal; The bishnp of Landaff"'s ex-rellent book; The captain of the gimrd's house." This usas^e, how- ever, ought to be avoided. The words do not literally convey the idea intended. What nonsense, to say, "This is the governour of Ohio"! horse!" 2. When nouns in the possessive case are in apposition, and follow each other in quick succession, the possessive sign is gener- ally annexed to the last only; as, "For David, my scrvanVs sake; John the Baptisfs head; The canal was built in consequence of De Witt Clinton ihc governour^s advice." But when a pause is proper, and the governing noun not express- ed, the sign should be applied to the first possessive only, and un-derstood to the rest; as, "I reside at Lord SlormonVs, my old patron and benefactor." 3. ItSy the possessive case of it, is often improperly used for His, or it is; as, "Its my book; Its his," &c. instead of, " It is my book; or,' Tis my book; It is his; or ' Tis his. 4. Participles frequently govern nouns and pronouns in the pos-sessive case; as, ** In case of his majesti/^s di/ ing without issue, fcc. Upon God^s havini^ ended ^\i his works, &c. I remember its being reckoned a great exploit; At nii/ coming in, he said," &c. But in such instances the participle with its adjuncts may be considered a substantive phrase, accordius to Note 2, Rule 28. 5. Phrases like these, " A work of Washington Irving^s, A broth- er of Josephs; A friend of mine, A neighbour of yours," do not, as Eome have supposed, each contain a double possessive, or two pos- sive cases, but they may be thus construed; "A work of {out of, or, among the number of) Washington Irving^s works; that is. One of the works of Washington Irving; One of the brotliers of Joe; j/!; One friend o(mi/friends; One neighbour of your neighbours" False Syntax. Homers works are nsucli admired. Nevertheless, Asa



his heart was not perfect with the Lord. James Hart his book, bought Aug. the 19, 1827. Kote 1. It was the men's, women's, and children's lot, to suffer great calamities. This is Peter's, John's, and Andrew's occupation. JVote 2. This is Campbell's the poet's production. and The silk was purchased at Brown's, the mercer's >naberdasher's. '. Note 4. Much will depend on the pupil composing fre- fjuently. Much depends on this rule being observed. The measure failed jn consequence of the president ne- ing to lay it before the cou!:< il. O

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158 UULES OF SYNTAX- RULE XIII. Personal pronouns must agree with the nouns for which they stand mgender and number; i\s, John writes, and he will soon write well." Note. You, though frequently employed to represent .1 singular noun, is a\wiiys plural in form; therefore the verb connected with itsliould be plural; as, "My friend, you were mistaken." Sec page 80. False Syntax. Every man will be rewarded according to their works. Incorrect, because tl.c pronoun their does not aprec in gender ot iiumber with the noun "man," for which it stands: consequently llule Ilis violated. Their should be his; and then the pronoun v.'ould be of the mas. sender, sing, number, agreeing with man, according to Rule Vi. (Repeat the rule.) An orator's tongue should be agrecfihle to the ear of their audience. t u Rebecca took goodly raiment, and put them on Jacob. Take handfuls of ashes, and let Moses spriidde it to- wards heaven, in the sight of Pharaoh, and it shall become sma'l dust. , , , , , r.u No one should incur censure for bemg tender of their reputation. , . , , ^%te. Horace, you was blamed; and I think you was worthy of censure. , . , . . Witness, where was you standing during the transac- t!on? How far was you from the defendant? > RULE XIV. Relative pronouns agree with their antece- -leiits iii irender^yerson, and number; as, " ihou - who lovest wisdom; 1 who speak from expen- ence.", , , . jAloTE When a .elative pronoun is preceded by two antecedeuU ' 'n,f di"fcr;nt oersons,the rell.tive and the ^"^"-^^^^..'{'.^Z with either, but ""' -iU^out reganl o ^-^^o^ma^^^T. .". maiiit'/iocoinmamiyou;' or, i am u.i, i.u .^f^;^ The meanin.- of the f.r=t of the^e examples will more f^^f^ ,,,,". n-nder it tl.u,; " 1 who command you, am thejffi ' When the itrrcement of the re.alive l-as been fixed wil.i fit k ^^

RLLES OF SVM'AX. 159 False Syntax. Thnu who has been a witness of the fact, canst slate it. The wheel killed another man, which make the sixthy which have lost their lives by this means. Thou fireat First Cause, least understood! Who all my sense confined. Xoie, 2d part. 'I'hou art the Lord, who didst choose .\braliam, and brought him forth out of Ur of the Chaldces RULE XV. The relative is the nominative case to the verb, when no nominative comes between it and the verb; as, " The master who taught us was eminent." False Syntax. If he will not hear his best friend, whom shall be sent to admonish him. This is the man whom, he informed me, was my bene- factor. RULE XVL



When a nominative conies betv/een the rela- tive and the verb, the relative is governed by the following verb, or by some other word in its own member of the sentence; as, "He whom I serve, is eternal."; ia'-T^ NoTU 1. Who, ichich, icfmt, the relative J/mt, anil thS^'S^' round?, ukomevcr, whomsoever, &ic. though in the objective ca=c irc always placed before the verb; as, "He uhom ye eeek, has j-one ence.".,,.i. Every relative mist have an antecedent to which tt#BJ^ nther expressed or implied; as, "^FAo steals my pur%e-straK lash;" that i5,/ie who. J. The pronouns irhichsocrcr, whatsoever, and the like, arc somo- imes elegantly divided by the interposition of the correspomliu ijuas; :t.i, >' Oa which, side soever the kinp: cast his eyes," Ac. '4. The pronoun what is sometimes improperly used instead oTthe iMunetioii U.at: as, "He would not believe but wAon was ii 'lit.'-it .should be, "but Wa<," &c. False Syntax. II (.s' the friend who I sincerely esteem. 'Sot prorcr, because wha, which is the object of the action ex- ^aferd by the transitive verb "esteem," is "in the nom. case, li igst to bo whom, in the objective; and then it would be.ioverncil V ^stcein, according to Rule 16. (Repeat the rule): and'also, ac-Tng to Rule 20; "That is the friend whom I sincerely esteent"

// //, 160 RUi,ES OF SYISTAX. They <vho much is given to, will have much to answer for. From the character of those who you associate with, your own will be estimated. He is a man who I greatly respect. Our benefactors and tutors are the persons who we ought to love, and who we ought to be grateful to. They who conscience and virtue support, may smile at the caprices of fortune. Who did you walk with? Who did you see there? Who did you give the book to? RULE XVII. When the relative pronoun is of the interrog- ative kind, it refers to the word or phrase con- taining the answer to the question for its suhst- \MCrt\, which subsequent must agree in case with the interrogative; as, "Whose book is that? Joseph's-^' "Who gave you this? /o^n." False Syntax. Who gave John those books? Us. Of whom did you huythem? Of a bookseller, he who lives in Pearl street, Who walked with you? My brother and him. Who vvill accompany me to the country? Uei and me, RULE XVIII. Adjectives belong to, and qualify nouns, ex- pressed or understood; as, "He is a good, as well as a wise man." NoTEL Ailicctivesfrcquently belong to pronouns; a?, "iam miserable: He is industrious." . . 2. iSumeral adicxtives belong to noiin=, which nouns ronf-t agree in number with their adjectires; as, "Ten/te<; Eighty/a/ftom*.' J. Afl, ectivcs sometimes belong to verbs in iho inhinUve iiiojul, or toa part of a sentence; as, " To see ispleamnt; To be blina Hiifurlunate; 'I'o die I'or ourcoisntry is glorioiv " 4. Aective3 are often used to uiodifi the lives, or" the action of verbs, and to express tr.,:onnexion with the action; as " lied hot iron: M.aw smooth; The anplcs boil soft, or hard: Open youv li?>lf'ifl clay burns '/('((? " . . '''"",;'. 5. When an adjective is preceded by a preposition, ailtrw is understood, the two words may be "^^""'^"',^"jAg^.^Mj. phrase; as," In general, in particular; tbltf|^iJ?<B^Wl^ eiise of other ail>e' action of verbs, and to cxpr'css tie quaUty oC tHDOT_^^

TUILES OF SYNTAX. 161;. Adieotives slioii '! he -lacctl iitxt to tlie nouns winch they i.iMlii'.-i'as, " A tPict ofg-cnrflaiici." V i3j;ih'.e co.ijparntlvcs an I superlatives should he ovoiued; sucii a;, Icsftr,



bud'ter.'more inpnssihle, most impossible, more vnconquer- dilc, mni, c. / st unconquerable, Itatl, &c. Sec the Note, imge t(l. 8. When an ii ijcctive or an adverb is used in comparing two ob- i'ct-, il should be in tt.e comparative degree; but v.hen more than iwj ure evn lared, the su;)erlative onglit to be employed: as, "Ju-lia is the lAler of tlic to; Her specimen is the bcsl ol' the three." False Syntax. Kote 2. Tlie boat carries thirty ton. The chrtsm was twenty foot broad, and one hundred fithom in depth. Kote 6. He liought a new pair of shoes, and an elegant piece of furniture. My cousin gave his fine jiair of hoises for a poor tract of land. Note 7. The contradictions of innpicty are still more in- comprehensible. It is the most uncertain way that can be devised. This is a more perfect model than ever saw before. Kote 8. Which of those ttvo cords is the strongest? I was at a loss to detennint which was the wiser of tlie three. RULE XIX. Adjective pronouns belong to nouns, expres- sed or understood; as, ' 'Any man, all men." Note 1. The demonstrative adjective pronouns must jigree in number with their nouns; as, "TTii's booh, tte.<e books; thai iaii, those sorts." 2. The pronominal adjectives, each, crerj/, cither,neither,anot'ier, I nd one, agree with nouns in the singular number only; as, "i'sA*! I nan, everi^ person, another lesson; unless the plural nouns convey |,a collective iilea; as, "Every six r-.onlhs." 3. Either is often improperly employed instead of each; as. "The llinj: of Israel, and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah, sat fi'tfifref them ihis throne." Kacft signifies both taken separately; cither im-tlios only the one or tlie other taken di'juactively: "sat each o:> fltgne." g^irv False Syntax. %te1. Those sort of favours do real injury. Tijey have been playing this two hours. ;',*Phese kind of indulgences soften and injure the.mind. yfe bjiw one.or more persons enter the garden. K¹ Ispteach esteem others belter than themselves 0 2 . f



RULES OF SYNTAX. 1G3 violatciL Tkcij is in apposition with i7, therefore lhey should be them, in the objective aftei>to be, iiccording to Rule 21. (Repcaf the rule.) Be composed, it is mc. I would not act thus, if I were him. Well m;iy you be afniid; it is him, indeed. Who do you fancy him to be? Whom do men say that I am? Whom say ye that I am ' If it was not him, who do you imagine it to have been? He supposed it was me; but you knew that it was him. RULE XXII. Active-intransitive and passive verbs, the verb to become, and other neuter verbs, have the same case after them as before them, 'yhen both words refer to, and signify the same thing; as, 'To??! struts a soldier;'" "Will sneaks a sc7iv- enerr " He was called CcesarT " The general was saluted emperor y" They havebecomeybots.' Note 1. Active-intransil ivo verbs sometimes assume a transitive lbrm, and govern the objective case: as, "7b dream a dream; To runa.race; To wall: the horse; To dance the child; ToJly Ihn kite." 2. Passive verbs do not govern the objective case. The follow- ing phrases are inaccurate: " Pitticus was ofTered a large sum by the king; He was taught grammar; They were asked a question." The constructions should be, " A large sum was offered to Pitti- cus: Grammar was taught to him; or he was instructed in gram- mar; .\ question was put <o them." J. Some passive verbs are formed by using the participles of com- pound active verb=. To smile, to uonder, to dream, tire intransi- tive verbs, for which reason tliev have no passive voice; but, to mile on, to wonder at, to dream of, are compound active-transitive verbs, and, therefore, admit of a passive voice; as, "He was smiled on by fortune; The accident is not to be wondered at;" " There are more things in heaven and earth, Horatio, "Than ore dreamed of in your philosophy." RULE XXIII. A verb in the infinitive mood, may be govern- ed by a verb, noun, adjective, participle, or pro- noun; as, " Cease to do evil;*' " We all have our lahnt to improve;" " She is eager to learn ;"" They are preparing to go;" " Let him do it,'

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K> 1 . UULCS or KVNT iX, !C. 2if<rfk*nJ V'8<'iu>timos ^o*i)rpv<|t^,i^^ "An HULE XXIV. Tiif- jfiiniitivt liioofl,or jitirt of a sentence, is '^^reqiientiypuit astlie naminalivf case to a verb, or the olijeci of an active-transitive verb; as, ' To play is pleasant; Boys love to play; That Kurm dimatcs shorten lifc,xs reasonable to sup- pose; He does not consider how near he ap- piroaches to his cnd,''^ Note. To, tlie si cr, of lliR infinitive n;oo(l, i- Eoniptimo? propcily omitted: a?, I lieard liijii say V ," i^^M-iui uf," to say it.'" RULE XXV. The verbs which follow bid, dare, need, make, see, hear, feel, help, let, 6yT. are in tlie infinitive mood without the sign to prefixed; as, "He bids me come; I dare engage; Let me ,-0; Help me do it;" i. e. to come, to go, to do it, Si'c. False Syntax. Bid liim roti'C tc rue. He durst not to (In it without pormisjioi;. Henr iiim to read liis lesioa. It is the difference in their conduct, which makes us to approve tlie one, and to reject the other. It is better to live on a little, than outlive a great deal. 1 wish him not wrestle with his happiness. RULE XXVI. Participles havp the same government



as the verbs have from which they are derived; as,"fs saw the tutor instructing liis pupils."" Note. $T_j<5$ present fianic!,^li; with the defiiiito artirle Me'be-. fare it, heccouifs a noun, iin.l itjust liave the preposition '^f"^^'^^\ii-^ The a,;d ()/inu?tbotli be used or l)t)tli be omitted; as," \,f.O^A ~ ' " ill C(jiiia:aiid ruppect; cr^jrffi^ri^ Syntax. Note. We can uot be wise find good without tl ains for it.

I tcrvins; of truth, jou v.'ii. truth," &c. False

., i.- '.J*^'.-*' u.^jA-.-- RULES OF SYNTAX. 105 The changing times and seasons, the removing and sets, gup kings, belong to Providence alone. These are the rules of grammar by observing of which vou may avoid mistakes. RULE XXVII. The present participle refers to some noun or pronoun, denoting the subject or actor; as, "I see a boy running." RULE XXVIII. The perfect participle belongs, like an adjec- tive, to some noun or pronoun expressed or un- derstood; as, "I saw the boy abused." Note 1. Participles of neuter verbs have the same case after them as before them; as, '^'A Pontius Pilate being Governuur a(3ii- (lea, and Herod being Tetrarrh," &c. 2. A participle with its adjuncts, may sometimes be considered as a substantive or participial phrase, which phrase may be the subject of a verb, or the object of a verb or preposition; as, "lea-king from another without his knowledge or assent, is called stealing; He studied to avoid expressing himself too severcli/; I can not fail ol having money, kc; by promising much and performing butTift!?. we become despicable." 3. As the perfect participle and imperfect tense of irrcjulai verbs, are sometimes different in their form, caro must be taken that they be not indiscriminately used. It is frequently said, 'he begun,' for 'he began;' 'He run,' for ' he ran;' ' He come,' for 'became;' the participles being here ustd instead of the imperfect tense; and much more frequently is the imperfect tense employed instead of the participle; as, '1 had wrote,' for 'lhad written;~ 'I was chose,' for' I was chosen;' 'I have eat,' for '1 have eaten.' 'He would have spoke;' spoken. ' lie overrun his guide;" over ran. 'Tlie sun had rose;' risen. False Syntax. I seen him. I have saw many a one. Seen is improper, the |>crfoct participle being used instead of th< imperfect tense of the verb. It ought to be, "I saw him," accoidin;, to Note '.i. Have saw is also erroneous, tile imperfect tense beinu employed instead of the perfect participle. The perfect tense of a verb ij formed by combining the auxdiary hare with its perfect par-ticiple; therefore the sentence should be written thus, "1 havejco. maiiv a one." Note 3. Note 3. He done me no harm, for I liad wrote my letlei be'aic he come home. riil not that misfortune bofel my cousin, he would have went to Europe long ago

m 160 niJLi:S OF SViNTAX. The sun hail already asose, when 1 began my journe)'. Since tlie work is began, it must be prosecuted. The French language is spoke in every state in Europe. He writes as the best authors would have wrote, had they writ on the same subject. RULE XXIX. Adveibs qualify verbs,participlos,arljectives, and other adverbs; as, " A very good pen writes extremely well; By living temperately.''' &c. Note I. AJvcrbs arc jjenerully set belbrc ailjtctivcs or adverb?, after verbs or



between the auxiliary anci the verb; as, "He maiic a very sensible discourse, and was attenliveli/ heard." 2. When the qualifying word which follows a verb, expresses qualiti/,it niuft he an adjective, but when it expresses manner, an adverb shonbt boused; as, " She locks ro/rf; she looks cold/i/ on him; He feels tcarm; He feels Karn/v tbe insult offered to him." f the veib t:> be can be substituted for the one employed, an ad- iective shouM follow, and not an adverb; as, "She look* is coLi: the hay smells is succt: The fields look are green; The viples taste \nre sour; Tbe wind blows ts /r/!." False Syntax, Xoic 1. It can not be impertinent or ridiculous therefore o remonstrate, lie was pleasing not often, because he was vain. These things should be never separated, ^^^fr^ajay happily live, tl-oHgh our possessions arc small. ^~~-^- rule'XXX. Two negatives destroy one another, ov are cciuivalent to anaffimative; as, "Such things are not?<coinnion;" that is, they are common. Note. When one of tbe two negatives employed, is joined to another word, it forms a pleasing and delicate variety of expres- ^ sion; a"," His languaire, though inelegant, is no tmgrammatical; ^^ that is. it is grammatical. But, as two negatives, by destroying each other, cxpre-ss an al- firmative, t'h(!y. should not be u ed when we wifh to tonvey |> net^ative meaning. The following sentence is therefore inaci 'U-at*.^^.: " r can not by no aicans allow biin whaX bis argument must i rtw*^;*; !t should be,' " I can not by any nigftns," &c. or, "!"/> "'"/> means."" / False Syntax. Xuteidpart. I don"t know nothing about it. .,_ I did not see nobody there. Nothing never e: mam ^

f^asta HULES OF SYNTAX. 167 Be lioneil, nar take no shape nor sernlilance of disg-uise. 'i''n re can not lie nothing more insignificunt than vanity. Precept nor discipline isnotso l'orcible as example. RULE xxxr. Prepositions govern the objective case; as, 'He went from (Itica (o Rome", and then passed through Redlield." False Syntax, Each is accountable for hisself. They settled it among theirselves. It is not I who he is flispleased witli. Wlio did ^ou go with? Who did you receive instruction from? RULE XXXII. f/omc, and nouns signifying distance, time when, how long, cVc. are generally governed by a preposition understood; as, "Tile horse ran a mile; He came home last June; My friend lived {omijears at college;" that is, ran through the space of a. mile; or, ran over a space called a mile; to his home in last June years, &c. Note 1. The preposition to s.<a<\for arc often understool, cliiefly before the pronouns; as," Give to me abopii; Get for him some paper." -1. 2".., or unjo is, by some, supposed to be understood after liki: .mi\ unlike; as,' He is Ziie unto bis brother; !^he is unlike to liim." Others consider this mode of expression an idiom of the hiujuage, and maintain, that like governs the objective foliowiTi't;!. Nouns si2;nifjring extension, duration, or value, are u'sd lish- out a govevnitiR word; as, "The Ohio is one thousand miki ton?-; She is ten tjears old; My hat is worth five dollars.^" Those, ar&ito- oaialics. See pauo ISf!^ "' ' "^m' RULE XXXIII. -'^ Conjunctions connect nouns and pronouns in tlic sainecase; as, " The master taught her and "" to write; //e and sAe are associtites." Ff-'.hle Syntax. ily brother and hin; are gnunmarians during four >-.



168 RULES OF SVSTAX. You and me enjoy great privileges. Him and I went to the city in company; But John and him returned vvitliout me. Between you and I there is a great disparity of years. ^IULE XXXIV. Conjunctions generally connect verbs of like moods and tenses; as, "If thou sincerely desire, and earnestlj pursue virtue, she will assuredly be found by thee, and prove a rich reward." Note I. When cliffereilt moods and tenses are connected by conjunctions, the nominative must be repeated; as, "He moy re-turn, but he irill not tarry."":> 2. Conjunctions implying contingency or doubt, require the sub- iunctive mood alter them; a?, " If ha study, he will improve." Sea^ pases 114, 120, 131. ii. The conjunctions if. though, unless, except, whether, and lest, generally require the subjunctive inuu, i; ilter them. 4. Conjunctions of a jmsitive and absolute nature, implyinc; no doubt, require the indicative mood; as, " ^ds virtue advances, so vice receues. False Syntax. Did he not tell me his fault, and entreated me to forgire him? Professing regard, and to act differently, discover a base mind. ..Vote 1. He has gone home, liut may return. The attorney executed the deed, but will write no more. J\'ote 2. I shall walk to-day. unleps it rains, tf he acquires riches, they will corrupt his mind. RULE XXXV. A noun or pronoun following the conjunction than, as, or but, is nominative to a verb, or gov- erned by a verb or preposition, expressed or un- derstood: as, " Thou art wiser than I am." " 1 saw nobody but I saw him." Note 1. The conjunction as, when it is connected with ntch, mami, or same, is sometimes, though erroneously, called a relutneprg. noun; as, "Let such as presume to advise others," &c. that is, liet them, &c. See page 97. 2. An ellipsisor omission of some words is frequently adnulted which must be supplied in the mind in order to parse grammatical-i

RULES OF SYA'TAX, 169 1, ly; as, >' Wo is me; that is to me; To sleep ull night; i. e. through all the night; He has gone a journey; i. c. ore a journey; They wallted a league; i. e. over a space called a league." o. When the omission of words would obscure the sense, or weaken its force, they must be expressed, 4 In the use of prepositions, and words that relate to each oth- er, we should pay particular regard to the meaning of the words or sentences which they connect: all the parts of a semence should correspond to each other, and a regular and clear construction throughout should be carefully preserved. False Syntax. They are much greater gainers than me. They know how to write as well as him; but he is a bet- ter grammarian than them. They were all well but him. None were rewarded but him and me. Jesus sought none but they who had gone astray. Remarks on the Tenses. 1. In the use of verbs, and other words and phrases which, in point of time, relate to each other, a due regard to that relation should be observed. Instead of saying, "The Lord hath given, and the Lord hath taken away," we should say, "The Lord gave, and the Lord heth taken away." Instead of, "I remember the family more than twen- ty years," it should be, "I have rememl>ered the family more than twenty years." . The best rule that can be given for the management of the tenses, and of words and phrases which, in point of time, relate to each other, is this very general one; Ob serve what the sense necessarily requires. To say, "I have visited Washington last summer; I have seen the work more than a month ago;" is not good sense. The construc- tions should be, "



I visited W-ishington, &c.; 1 saw the work," iic, " This mode of expression has been formerly much admired; "Mas formerly much admired." 2. In order to employ the two tenses of the infinitive mood with propriety, particular attention should be paid to the meaning of what we express. Verbs expressive of hope, desire, intention, or command, oueht to be followed by the PtiESENT tense of the infinitive mood. 'L 1st week I intended to have written,'''' is improper. The inten- Mcin of Writing was Ihenpres'nl with me; and, therefore, the con- fteuction should be, "1 intended to ii:rite." Tlie liUnwing exum- i* files are also inaccurate: "I found him better than I expected la jiime found h'lm;"" "Mv .>ur;H)so was, after s | e'i;ling ten inouthe ftar"" in commerce, to hafe withdrawn my wealth to another coun- *f| ff

A f ':!? ITO TALSE SYNTAX. fry." They should be, " expected iofind him;" " lo tcUKdraw my "\^ o'b" EUVATION. More requires jAan after it. The following sen- tences arc therefore improper: "He was more beloved, but no so -aiuch admired, as Cinthio;" " Richard is more active, but not so studious as his companion." They should be, "He was more be-loved than Cinthio, but not so much admired;" " Richard is more active than his companion, but not so studious." Examples in False Syntax, promiscuously arranged. We adore the Divine Being, he who is from eternity to eternity. On these causes depend all the happiness or misery which exist among men. The enemies who we have most to fear, are those of our own hearts. Is it me or him who you requested to go; . ., f Though great has been his disobeditnce and his lolly, yet if he sincerely acknowledges his misconduct, he shall be forgiven. There were, in the metropolis, much to amuse them. By exercising of our memories, they are improved The property of my friend, I mean his books and furni- ture, were wholly consumed. Affluence might give us respect in the eyes of the vul- ear but will not recommend us to the wise and good 'I'he cares of this world, they often choke the growth ol virtue. , , .u j They that honour me, I will honour; and them that de-spise me, shall be lightly esteemed. 1 intended to have called last week, but c6uld not. Th- tields look freshly and eaily since the rain. The book is printed very neat, and on tine wove paper. 1 have recently been in Washington, where 1 have seen John Quincy Adams, he who is now president. Take the two first, and, if you please, the three last. The Chinese wall is thirty foot high. It is an union supported by an hypothesis, merely 1 have saw him who you wrote to; and he would have crime back with me, if he could. Not one in fifty of those who call themselves deists, un dertand the nature of the religion they reject. If thou studies! diligently, thou will becomr learn-l Edgcation is nat attended to properly in Spa-r-i

PKOVINCIALISMS. 171 He knowM it was his duty, and he ought, therefore, to do it. He has little more of the great man besides the title. Kichard acted very independent on the occasion. We have done no more than it was our duty to have done, TUe time of my friend entering on business, soon arrived % His speech is the most perfect specimen I ever saw, Calumny and detraction are sparks which, if you do not blow, they will go out of themselves. Those two authors have each of them their merit.



I{easons whole pleasure, all the joys of sense, Lies in three words, health, peace, and competence. A great mass of rocks thrown together by the hand of nature with wildness and confusion, strike the mind with more grandeur, than if they were adjusted to one another with the accuratest symmetry. PROVXXVCIAX.ZSIICS. CONTRACTtONS, VULGARISMS, AND OTHER IMPROPRIETIES. Although many of the following vulgarisins are provincial, yet, as each has its locality in some one section or other of our coun- try, it is hoped, that these corrections will be found useful in the districts to which the various phrases respectively belong. Improper. Correct. Improper. Correct. CO.\TRACTIONS. WRITTEN. CONTRACTIONS WRITTEN. Aint Are not. Woodent would not haint have not. mussent must not taint 'tis not. izzent is not haint are not. wazzent was not maint may not. hezzent has not wont will not. doozzent does not wer'nt were not. tizzent 'tis not waunt was not. don't. can't. whool who will i'll 'tis Vulga risms. Vulgarisms. COMMON IN NEW ENGLAND. COMMON IN new-englanV. Improper. Pronounced. Improper. Pronounced. 22 2 4 1 ')ooz 2 Diiz 1 Angel 4 ane gtl 1 ' urn 2 home 1 danger 4 daue gur tun 2 stone 2 stranger 4 stranc gut 1 'li/zen hiz chambep f*ame biiV km

172 33 liouzen 2 hen 4 axt 4 ancient rmprvper. Furnentz wunst strenth lenth brenth ort in wain wanity nan wisht och for by wee bit Doore floore put FROVINCIALISMS. bou zei bin 4 ask'd 1 ane tschent SNSYLTANIA. Correct. 'opposite once strength length breadth ought in vain vanity what wish oh to spare a small piece IRISH, dore flora poot pas demand Improper. Fut pnl pit ond a coont pare son pare pet u al coorse soorse loss it glas 4 pas 4 mas 4 de mand Correct. foot puul pit and ak kount pars'n per pet tshu koarse soarse lost it a. | | NEW-ENGLAND. t be goin. He lives to bum. Hese ben to hum this two weeks Y<,u harldenl ought to do it. Yes I had ought. Taint BO better than hizzen. hzent that are line writ well? Tizzeiit no better than this ere. t axtiiim for't, and hes-aleno; and then ize up a stump The kcows be gone to hum, neow, and I'mer goin arter um He'll beherc, deri, '; ht?, and bring journ and thcirn. PENNSYLVANIA. I seen him. Have yon saw him? Yc. I have saw him wunst; and that was before you seed kim. Ky. Md. Va. Miss. &c-. Thar tbate whar whare bar bear bare wiir wer mout might (mite) gwine, going tote fetch, carry, or bring. CORRECTED. I am going. He lives at home. He has been at home these 2 weeks. You ought not to do it. Certain-ly I ought. Tis no better than his. /. no* that line well written? ' It is no better, or. It is not any better than this I asked him for it, but he refused to let me have it. 1 then knew not what to do. The cows are gone home, and I am going after them. He will he here, directly, as bring yours and theirs. f! CORRECTED. I saw him. Have you setn him? Yes, once; and that before you sail; him.

PROVINCIALISMS. 17 1 done my task. Have jou did jours? No,but I be to do it I be to be there. He know'd me. Leave me be, for Ime afeared. I nevar took notice to it. I wish I haddent did it; howsum-ever, I dont keer: they cant skeer me. Give me them there books. He ortto go; so he ort. No he orten. Dont scrouge me. I diddent go to do it. Ahit that a good hand write? Nan? I knew what he meant, but I never let on. Not here the day: He went till Pittsburgh. Let us be after pairsing a wee bit. J^d. Va.



Ky, or Miss. Carry the horse to water. Toat the the wood to the river. Have you fotcht the water? He will soon come of that habit. I war thar, and I seen his boat was loaded too heavy. Whar you gwine? Let em go dah. Hese in cohoot with me. Did you git shet of your tobacco? Who hoped you to sell it? I have done my task. Have you rfo/ie yours? iSo,but I must. I shall be there; or, I must be there. He knew me. Lei me be, for I am afraid. I never took notice of it; or, bet-ter thus, I never noticed it. I wish I had not done it: however, I disregard them. They cav. not scare me. Give me those books. He ought to go really. He ought not. Don't crowd me. I did not intend to do it. * Is not that beautiful writing? Wliat? I knew what he meaat, but I kept that to myself. Improper. Pronounced. Improper. Pronounced, Are Ar do cile dos il were (ware) wer duo tile due til dost dust fu tile fu til doth duth sub tile sub til does duz a gain a gen ere are main tain men tane sky skei main tain ance mn ten anca kind keind oc tav o oc ta vo guide geide on ly one ly def set P2 (it CORRECTED. He is not here to-day. He went to Pittsburgh. Let us parse a tittle. CORREETED. Lead the horse to water; or, wa- fer the horse. Cafry the wood to the river. Have you fetched or brought the water. He will soon ov-rcome, or get rid o/that habit. I was there, and Isaiv that his boat was too heavily laden, or loaded. Where are you going? Let them go. He is in partnership with me. Did you gel rid or dispose of your tobacco. ' Who helped you to sell it? il

r y^ t'^rT'ym/''^' 174 PROVINCIALISMS. lep my wind to pro gress sloth I'ul leis lire fei ful mas culir.e fpm i nine trans par ent trans par en cy philos o phcr lepe mi, or me wind, 01 wintle too prog re39 sloAhe ful le zhure fere ful mas Gulin fem e niri trans pa rent trans pa ren cy fe los so pher phi lo soph i cal fil lo zoph fc kal phi lol o gist fe lol lo jiit philo logical CO ad ju tor as sump sioQ Oc ca sion of fend C9 pe cially par tial i ty hosler hos pit al hum ble i>u mor ous pos sess pos ses sive pos ses sion prcc ept (;i ther tiei ther na chur for chun lee chnr lit e rachure fil o lod je bal ko ad jii tur as sum tshun o ka zhn o fend es pesh e al le par she al le te oslur OS pe tal unible yu raur us poz zes poz zes siv poz zesh un pre sept e thur ne thur na tshure for tshune lee tshure litte ra lure shet cheer baird par ents pa rent age pat ron pate ron age pat ri ot pat ri ot ism pat ri arch ketch cocht goold ort could would ile > bile iile pile pinte ben hum thare fore wher fore blege kal ice frek went ly ur rcg u lar to words pome gone mount'n fount'n gelh er kiv er shut tshare beeril pa rents par rent i<ije pa trun pat trun idje pa tre ut patre ut ism pa tre ark katch kaught gold ought kood wood oil boil soil spoil point bin home ther fore whare forQ o blidje tshal is fre kwent ly ir reg gu lar to urdz po em go ing moun tin foun tin gath er kuv er era enure iiiicm<.u'-..... Note When the words learned, hlcssed, loved &c. are used ps r ,; l-idiectives the terminatioB ed should generally be pro- participial adject, e t ^^ Mcarn-ed man; The bless-ed tnifd; I have waVi'd."^ PROSODY. Prosody consists of two parts; the fo)n>er teaches the true pronunciation of words, com- prising accent, quantity, emphasis, pause, and tone -and the latter the laws of versification. ^cr^r Accent is the laying of . peculiar stress .f the vmce on a certain letter or syllable ma word, that t m^f



PUNCTUATION. 175 be better heard than the rest, or distinguished from them, as, in the word " presume," the stress of the voice must be on (he letter it, and second syllable, sume, which syllable takes the accent. Quantity. The quantity of a syllable is that time which is occupied in pronouning it. It is considered as long or short. A vowel or syllable is long, when the accent is oti the vowel; ivhich causes it to be slowly joined in pronuncia- tion with the following letters; as, '-Fall, bale, mood, house, feature." A syllable is short, when the accent is on the consonant; which occasions the vowel to lie quickly joined to the suc- ceeding letter; as, " aunt, bonnet, hunger." A long syllable requires double the time of a short one in pronouncing it: thus, "Mate," and "note" should be pronounced as slowly again as " Mat" and " not." Emphasis. By emphasis is meant a stronger and fuller sound of the voice, by which we distinguish some word or words on which we design to lay particular stress, and to show how I hey effect the rest of the sentence. Sometimes the emphatic words must be distinguished by a particular tone of voice, as well as by a greater stress. Pauses. Pauses or rests, in speaking and reading, are a total cessasion of the voice during a perceptible, and, in many cases a measurable space of time. Tones. Tones are different both from emphasis and pauses; consisting in the modulation of the voice, the notes or variations of sound which we employ in the ex- pression of our sentiments. Versification. Versification is the arrangement of a num- ber and variety of syllables according to certain laws. Rhyme. Rhyme is the correspondence of the last sound of one verse, to the last sound or syllable of another. "stl PUNCTUATION. Punctuation is the art of dividing written composition into sentences or parts of senten- ces by points or stops, in order to mark the dif-ferent pauses which the sense and an accurate proniniciation require.

176 PUNCTUATION. The Comma represents the shortest pause; the Semico ioji, a pause double that of the comma; the Colon, uouiile that of the semicolon; and the Period, double that of the colon. Punctuation is a modern art. The ancients were entirely unac^ quainted-with the use of points; and wrote, not only without any distiactiin of members aiid periods, but also witnout any distinction of itfords. This custom continued till the year 360 bclore Christ. iHow the ancients read their works, written in this man- ner, is flit easy to conceive. After the practice of joining words together had ceased, notes of distinction were placed at the end of every word. This practice continued a considerable time. As it appears that the present usage of points did not take place, whilst manuscripts and monumental inscriptions were the only known methods of conveying knowledge, we must conclude, that it was introduced with the art of printing. The introduction was, however, gradual: all the points did not appear at once. The co-lon, semicolon, and note of admiration, were produced some time after the others. The whole set, as they are now used, became estab-lished when learning and refinement had made considerable progress. As the rules of punctuation are founded altogether ou the grammatical construction of sentences, their applica- tion" pre-supposes, on the part of the student, a knowledge of Syntax. Although they admit of exceptions, and require a continual exercise of judgment and literary taste in ap-plying them properly, they are of great utility,



and justly merit our particular attention. Before one enters upon this subject, however, he ought to understand what is meant by an adjunct, a simple sentence, and a compound sentence. An adjunct or imperfect phrase contains no assertion, or does not amount to a proposition or sentence; as, "There- fore;"" studious of praise;" " in the pursuit of commerce. For the definition of a sentence, and a compound sen- tence, turn to page 100. , > i. v When two or more adjtmcts are connected with the verB in the same manner, and by the same preposition or con- junction, the sentence is compound, and may be resolved into as many simple ones as there are adjuncts; as, "They have sacrificed their health and fortune at the shrtne ot vanity pride, and extravagance." But when the adjuncts are connected with the verb in a different manner, the sen- tence is simple; as, " Grass ofan excellent 9ua/i<i/>i/, IS pro- duced in great abundance in the northern regions of our country." RULE 1. The member-: a simple sentence should not, in general, be separated by a comma; as, " Every part of matter swarms with living creatures " :ssv^'

I PUNCTUATION, 177 Exercises in Punctuation. Idleness is the great fomenter of all (iomiptions in the human heart. The friend of order has made half his way to virtue. All finery is a sign of littleness. RULE 2. When a simple sentence is long, anil the nom- inative is accompanied with an inseparable adjunct of im-portance, it may admit a comma immediately before the verb; as, " The good taste of the present age, has not allow- ed us to neglect the cultivation of the English language;" " Too many o/the pretended friendships of youth, are mere combinations in j)leasure." Exercises. The indulgence of a harsh disposition-is the intro-duction to future misery. To be totally indifferent to praise or censure-is a real defect in character. The intermixture of evil in human society serves to exercise the suffering graces and virtues of the good. RULE 3. When the connexion of the different parts of a simple sentence, is interrupted by an adjunct of import- ance, the adjunct must he distinguished by a comma before and after it: as, "His work is, in many respects, very im-perfect. It is, therefore, not much approved." But when these interruptions are slight and unimportant, it is better to omit the comma; as,' Flattery is certainly pernicious; There is surely a pleasure in beneficence." Exercises. Charity like the sun brightens all its objects. Gentle- ness is in truth the great avenue to mutual enjoyment. You too have your failings. Humility and knowledge with poor apparel excel pride and ignorance under costly attire. The best men often experience disappointments. Advice should be seasonably aiimin- istered. No assumed behaviour can always hide the real character. RULE 4. The nominative case independent, and nouns in apposition when accompanied with adjuncts, must be distinguished by commas; as, " My son, give me thy heart;' ' Dear Sir, I write to express my gratitude for your many kindnesses;" " I am obliged to you, my friends, for your many favours;" " Pau/, the apostleofthe Gentiles, was eminent for his zeal and knowledge;" " The butterfly, child of the summer, flutters in the sun." But if too nouns in apposition iire unattended with ad-juncts, or if they form only a proper name, they should not be separated; as, " Paul the apostle suffered martyrdom;" " The statesman Jefferson wrote the declaration of Inde- pendence." Exercises. Lord thou hastbeenour



dwellingplace in all genera- tions. Continue my dear child to make virtue thy chief study. Can9t thou expect thou betrayer of innocence to esc^ipe the l-.and ftf vengeance.' Death the king of terrors chose a prime minister. t

\ lv8 PUNCT CATION. tt Hope the balm of life soothes us under every misfortune. Confu-cius the great Chinese pjiilosopher was eminently good as well as wise. The patriarch Joseph is an illustrious example of true piety. RULES. The nominative case absolute and the infini- tive mood absolute with their adjuncts, a participle with words depending on it, and generally, any imperfect phrase which may be resolved into a simple sentence, must be separated from the rest of the sentence by commas; as, "His father dying, he succeeded to the estate." "To confess the truth, t WAS in fault;" "The k'm^, approving the plan, put it in execution;" "He, having finished^ his aca- demical course, has relurned home, ro/irosec/e his profes- sional studies."" Exercises. Veace of mind being secured we may smile at misfor- tune. Toenjoy present pleasure he sacrificed his future ease and reputation. His talents foruied for great enterprises could not fail of renderins him conspicuous. The path of piety and virtue pur- sued with a firm and constant spirit will assuredly lead to happiness. All mankind compose one family assembled under the eye of one common Father. RULE 6. A compound sentence must be resolved into simple ones by placing: commas between its members; as, "The decay," the waste, and the dissolution of a plant, may affect our spirits, and suggest a train of serious reflections." Three or more nouns, verbs, adjectives, participles, or adverbs, connected by conjunctions, expressed or under- stood, must be separated by commas; as, " The husband, wife, and children, suffered extremely:"* " In a letter, we * Tlic correctness and importance oftliis rule appear to be so obviouF, as lo render it not a little surprising, that any Krilcr, possessing Uic least degree of rhetorical tirste, should reject it. I am bold to affirm, that it is observed by every coriccl speaker; ad yet, strange as it may seem, it is generally violated by those printers who punctuate by the ear, and all others who are influenced by tlieir pernicious example: tlnis, " The head, the heart and the hands, should be constautly and actively employed in doing good." Why do they not omit the comma wiiere the conjunction is understood! It would be doing no greater violence to the principles of correct delivery; thus, "The liead the heart and the hands, shotdd be," &c. or thus, " The head the heart, and the hands, should be employed," &c. Who does not perceive that the latter pause, where the conjunction is expressed, is as necessary as the former, where the conjunction is understood! And since this is She case, what fair objection can be made 10 the following method of punctuation! "The head, the heart, and Uie hands, should be conatantly and actively en>pio5 cd in doing good;" " She is a woman, gentle, sensible, well-educated, and religious." As a consider.able pause in pronunciation, is necessary between the lat noun and lhe verb, a comma sliould be inserted to denote it; but as no pause is allowable be-tween the last adjective and the noun, or between the



comma in siiob- t ances, is properly oraitM t ; thus, ", o,iun.'ljj t . I laet adveib and the verb, the Davul was a brave, wiee. am

'5g-;.'*t5- PUNCTUATION. 179 may advise, exhort, comfort, request, and discnss;" " Da- vid WHS a brave, wise, and pious man;" " A man fearing, servmg, and loving his Creator, lives for a noble purpose;" " Success generally depends on acting prudently, steadily and vigorously, in wtiat we unoertake." Two or more nouns, verbs, adjectives, participles, or adverbs, occurring in the same constiuctiou, with their con-junctions understood, must be separated by commas; as, 'Reason, virtue answer one great aim;" ' Virtue supports in adversity, moderates m prosperity;" "Plain, honest truth, needs DO artilicial covering;" "We are fearfully, wonderfully framed." Exercises. We have no reason to complain of the lot of man nor of the mutability of the world. Sensiialiti contaminates the body de irosses the un.lerstanding deadens the moral feelings of the heart auil degrades man from his rank in creation. Self conceit presnmption and obstinacy blast the prospects of many a youth. He is alternately supported by his father his uncle and his elder brother. The man of virtue and honour will be trust- ed relied upon and esteemed. Conscious guilt renders one mean- spiriteil timorous and base. An upright mind will never be at a less to discern what isjust and true lovely honest and of food re-port. H ibits of reading writing and thinking are the indispensa-ble qualifications of a good student. The great business of life is to be em doyed in doinginstly loving mercy and walking humbly with our Creator. To live soberly righteously and piously com- prehends the whole of our duty. In our health life nossessions connexions pleasures there are causes sfdeoay imperceptibly working. 'Dcliberate slowly execute nrompt- ly. An idle trifling society is near akin to such as is corrupting. This unhappy person had been seriously affectionately admonish- ed but in vain. KULE 7. Comparative sentences whose members are short, and sentenres connected with relative pronouns, the meaning of whose antecedents is restricted or limited to a particular sense, should not be separated by a comma; as, " Wisdom is better than riches;" " No preacher is so suc- cessful as time;" "He accepted what I had rejected;" 'Self-denial is the sacrijice -juliich virtue must make;" "Sub- tract from many moiiein poets all that may be found in Shakspeare, and trash will remain;" " Give it to the man whom you most esteem." In this last example, the asser- tion is not of" man in general," but of" the man whom you most esteem." But when the antecedent is used in a general sense, a comma, is properly inserted before the relative; as, "JWaK, aho is born of a woman, is of few days and full of trouble;" i

'f. ^ 180 PUNCTUATION. 1 "There is no charm in the female sex, t^Aic/i can supply "rKl^'equaliy applicable to constructions in which the e aSe is understood: as; " Value duly the pr.v.leges you e'yoy;" that is, " the pnv.leges ^h^ch you enjoy. H w ,ni,rh better it is to get wisdom than gold. The Excmses. How much tietter Ills lb interest cements frieadsh.p of the world#nex..t.K. longer than ^.^^



X^':ni^^:d^^ich=:o:^cS:^-oftLwo^dare -'^rf^J^SSisUUethes.o.^st^n. wMch r^ectsever | r object in its just P'O'^^i""" ^Z', ""^^^ d th^<^ i " "'<=<""- man, we saw yesterday. RULE 8. When two words of the same sort are connect- e-l by a ron unction expressed, they must not be sepanUed as ^LibeHines call religion, bigotry or superstition;' f-True wo his modest anrf retired;" -'The study of natu- ral hltorv expands a,i<i elevates the mind;" " Some men sin le > e atefy and presumptuously." When words are connec ed ^paL, the pairs only should be ?-.^J; a , "Thfre.s a natural difference between ment and demer- it vutueLd v,ce, wisdom aW folly;" " Whether we eat J; drink, labour or sleep, we should be temperate." B, if t',e parts connected by a conjunction are not short, thermavbe'^^epara.edbya comma; as " Romances may be ^aul to be miserable rhapsodies, or dangerous incentives to evil." I,llpnphrin!rs forward and nonrishes many bad pas- minds. churactersonnblemi-hP'l, as to txeuipt m tacka of rashness, malice, and envy.

FUNCITUATION. 181 Exercises. As a companion he was severe and satirical; as a iriend captious and dangerous. If the spring put forth no blossoms in summer there will be no beauty and in autumn no fruit. So if youth be trifled away without improvement manhood will be con-temptible and old age miserable. RULE 10. When a simple member stands as the object of a preceding verb, and its verb may be changed into the infinitive mood, the comma is generally omitted; as, "{sup-pose he is at rest;" changed, "1 suppose liim to be at rest." But wiien the verb to be is followed by a verb in the in-finitive mood, which, by transposition, may be made the nominative case to it, the verb to be is generally separated from the infinitive by a comma; as, "The most obvious rem- edy is, to withdraw from all associations xxith bad mtn-p "The first and most obvious remedy against the infection, is, to withdraw from all associations with bad men." Exercises.__They believed he was dead. He did not know that I was the man. I knew she was still alive. The greatest misery is to be condemned by our own hearts. The greatest misery that we can endure is to be condemned by our own hearts. NOTES. 1. When a conjunction is separated by a phrase or member from the member to which it belongs, such intervening phrase appears to require a comma at each extremity; as, "They set oat early, and, before the close of the day, arrived at the destined place." This rule, however, is not generally followed by our best writers; as, " If thou seek the Lord, he will be found of thee, but if thou forsake him, he will cast thee off forever;" "Builf the parts connec- ted are not short, a comma may be inserted." 2. Several verbs in the infinitive mood, having a common depen- dence, and succeeding one another, are divided by commas; as, " To relieve the indigent, to comfort the afflicted, to protect the in- nocent, to reward the deserving, are humane and noble employ_ ments." . ^ 3. A remarkable expression, or a short observation, somewhat ik the form of a quotation, may be properly mark<:d with a comma; as, "It hurts a man's pride to say, I do not know;" "Plutarch calls lying, </ieftee o/"sfcie." . 4. When words are placed in opposition to each other, or with some marked variety, they must be distinguished by a comma; as, "Tho' deep, yet clear, tho'gentle, yet not dull; "Strong, without rage; without oHrJlowir\g,fulV "Good men, in this frail, imperfect state, are often found, not



only in union with, but in opposition to, the views and conduct of one another.", , . Sometimes when the word with which the last preposition agrees, is single, the comma may be omitted; as, " Many states were in alliance with, and under the protection o/Rome." The same rule and restrictions apply, when two or more nonne refer to the same preposition; as, He was composed, both undet I Wi''

f ^'- 18'2 PUNCTUATION, I: the Ihrcatenins, and at the approach, of a. cvi(^ and lingering Ilc-ath!" " He was not only the king, but the father 0/his people'- S The words " as, thus, nay, so, hence, again, first, secondly, away," &c. " Ilgain, we must have food and clothing, rinai /j/, let us conclude." . ., The foregoing rules and examples are sufficient, it is presumed, to suggest to the learner, in all ordinary instan- ces, the proper place for inserting the comma; but in apply- ing them, great regard must he paid to/h* >t,"^*^^f"| mlaning of the clauses, and the proportion which they bear to one another. SZ! nilCOX<C17. The semicolon is used for dividing a compound sentence into two or more parts, not so closely connected as thos^e which aie separated by a comma, nor yet so little depend- ent on each other, as those which are distinguished by a RULE 1 When the preceding membei of the sentence does not of itself give complete sense, but depends on the following clause, and sometimes when the sense of that member would be complete without the concluding one, he semicolon is used; as in the following examples: As the desire of approbation, when it works according to reason, improves the amiable part of our species; so nothing is more destructive to them, when it is goveraedby vanity and folly" "The wise man is happy, when he gains nis o^vn approbation; the fool, when he gains the applause 0 those around him;" "Straws swim upon the surface; hut pearls lie at the bottom." Exercises. The path of truth is a plain and safe path that of false-hood is a perplexing maze. Heaven is the region of gentleness and friendship heS of fierceness and animosity here is a workly happiness which God perceives to be no other than d guised mis- ery Ls there are worldly honours which m his "^""^t.o" ^\^\^\.'^- proach so theie is a worldly wisdom which in his sight i foolish- But all subsists by elemental strife And passions are the elements of life. RULE 2 When an example is introduced to illustrate ^ -rule or proposition, the semicolon may be used betore the %^-;W

PUNCTUATION. 18a conjunction as; as in the following instance: Prepositions govern the objective case; as, " She gave the book to him." Note. In instances like the above, many respectable punctuists employ the colon, instead of the semicolon. coxjOir. The colon is used to divide a sentence into two or more parts, less connected than those which are separated by a semicolon; but not so independent as separate, distinct sea- tences. RULE 1. When a member of a sentence is complete in itself, but followed by some supplemental remark, or far- ther illustration of the subject, the colon may be properly employed: as, " Nature felt her inability to extricate her- self from the consequences of guilt: the gospel revealed the plan of divine interposition and aid." "Great works are performed, not by strength, but by perseverance: yon- der palace was raised by single stones; yet you see its height and spaciousness." Exercises. The three great enemies to tranquillity are vice su- perstition



and idleness vice which poisons and disturbs the mind with bad passions superstition \yhich fills it with imaginary tei- rours idleness which loads it with tediousness and disgust. When we look forward into the year which is beginning what do we behold there All my brethren is a blank to our view a dark unknown presents itself. RULE 2. When a semicolon has preceded, or more than one, and a still greater pause is necessary, in order to mark the connecting or concluding sentiment, the colon should be applied; as, "A divine legislator, uttering his voice from heaven; an almighty governour, stretching forth his arm to punish or reward; informing us of perpetual rest prepared for the righteous hereafter, and of indignation and wrath awaiting the wicked: these are the considera tions which overawe the world, which support integrity,, and check guilt." PEBXOD. When a sentence is complete, and so independent as not to be connected with the one which follows it, a period should be inserted at its close; as, " Fear God." " Honour the patriot." " Respect virtue." In the use of many of the pauses, there is a diversity oV practice among our best \vriters and grammarians. CodT

,'f 184 pilnctuation. pound sentences connected by conjunctions are sometimes divided by the period; as, "Recreations, though they may be of an innoce'nt kind, require steady government to keep them within a due and limited prov.nce. f" \"\]\/\^\] of an irregular and vicious nature are "f; ^.f7,f"' ' but to be banished from every well-regulated mind. The period should follow every abbrevated word; as, "A.D. N.B. U.S. Va. Md. Viz. Col. Mr." DASH. The Dasli-, though often used improperly by hasty and incoherent wrters, may be introduced with propriety, where the sentence'breaks off abruptly; where a ^.^mficant Tuse is required; or where there is an unexpected turn in Csentiment; as "If thou art he, --"e./^S once but, oh! how fallen! how degraded! "".actng conformably to the will of our Creator;-.f promotmg the JK of mankind around us;-if securmg O"own hap piness are objects of the highest moment; then we are foudly called upon to cultivate and extend the great inter- ests of religion and virtue." A dash following a .top, denotes that the pause .8 to be .rreaterthan if the stop were alone; and when usea oy ftsetregulres a pause of such a length as the sense oBly can determine. Here lies the great false marble, where; Nothing but sordid dust lies here." 1NTERBOOATIOW POINT. The note of interrogation is used at the end of an inter_rogative sentence; as, "Who adorned the heavens with such exquisite beauty?" Not.. The .uterrogative point should not be ^-^P'^J^^/^f^^, ^ .vhere il is only said, that a question has been asked . as, Cyprians asked me, why I wept." EXCLAMATION POINT. The note of exclamation is applied to e'cpressions of sudden emotion, surprise, joy, grief. &c. and -me-ime to invocations and addresses; as, " "ow much vanity n the pursuits of men!" " What is more an>.aWe than v.Hue "Mv friend! this conduct amazes me!' -'Hear me, u -1UV lliciiu. "-' -- . Lord! for thy loving kindness is great N^V

PUNCTUATION. 185 P ABEMTHESIS. A parenthesis is a clause containing- some useful remark, which may be omitted without injuring the grammaticaj construction; as," To gain a posthumous reputation, is to save a few letters (for what is a name besides?) from oblivion-" " Know then this



truth, (enough for man to know,) "Virtue alone is happiness below." Note. The parenthesis ijenerally denotes a moderate depres- sion of the voice, and, as the parenthetical marks do not sapply the place of a point, the slanse should be accompanied with eve- ry stop which the sense would require, if the parenthetical charac- ters were not used. It ought to terminate with the same kind of point which the member has, that precedes it; as, "He loves no- bly, (I speak of friendship,) who is not jealous when h* has part- ners of love." " Or why so long (in life if long can be) " LentHeav'n a parent to the poor and mc?" Parentheses, however, containing interrogations or exclama- tions, form an exception to this rule; as, " If I grant this request, (and who could refuse it?) I shall secure liis esteem and attach- ment." AFOSTHOFKE AZTD aUOTATION. The Apostrophe is used to abbreviate a word, and also to mark the possessive case of a noun; as, "Vis, (oeit is; thu', for though; o'er, for ever;"" " A man's poverty." A Quotation marks a sentence, taken in the author's own language; as, "The proper study of mankind is man." When an author represents a person as speaking, the language of that person should be designated by a quota-tion; as. At my coming in, he said, "You and the physi-cian are come too late." A quotation contained within an- other, should be distinguished by two single commas: as, " Always remember this ancient maxim:' Know thyself."" Directions for using Capital Letters. It is proper to begin with a capital, 1. The first word of ewery sentence. 2. Proper names, the appellations of the Deity, &c.; as, "James, Cincinnati, the Andes, Huron;" " God, Jehovah, the Almighty, the Supreme Being, Provideace, the Holy Spirit." 3. Adjectives derived from proper names, the titles of oks, nouns which are used as the subject of discourse, e pronoun /and the interjection O, and every line in po-ry; as, "American, Grecian, ttnglish, French; Irving's 'etch Book, Percival's Poems; I write; Hear, 0 earth!" q2

'/' 186 FIGT'RES OF SPEECH. FIGURES OF SPEECH. Fio-ures of Speech may be described as that language which is prompted either by the imagination, or by tlie passions. They generally imply some departure from sim- plicity of expression; and exhibit ideas in a manner more vivid and impressive, than could be done by plain language. Figures have been commonly divided into two great classes- Figures of Fforrfs, and Figures of 77iow^fi., . Figures of Words are called Tropes, and consist in a word's being employed to signify something that is difler- ent from its original meaning; so that by altemig the word, we destroy the figure. When we say of a person, that ha has a Sne tajte in wines, the word taste is used in its common, literal sense; but when we say, he has a line taste for paintiog, poetry, or mas.cU, we use the word figuratively. " A good man enjoys comfort in the midst of adversity," is simple lan | uage, but when it is said, "To the upnght there ariseth light in rfartam," the same sentiment .s expressed m figurative style: light is put in the place of comfort, and darkness is used to suggest the idea oiadversity. In Figures of Thought, the words are used in their prop- er and literal sense. The figure consists in the turn oj thought; as is the case in exclamations, interrogations, apostrophes, and comparisons. The following are the most important hgures: 1 A METAriioa is founded on the resemblance which one'object bears to another; or, it is a comparison in an ^ abridged form.



When I say of some great minister, "That he upholds the state ,ke a pillar which supports the weight of a whole edifice," fair y make a compailson; but when I say of such a minister, "That , he is the pillar oi state, the word pillar becomes a metaphor. In , the latter construction, the comparison between the mnnste and apillar,ismademthe mind; but it is expressed without any oi , the words that denote eompanson. ,>, ^tt Metaphors abound in all writings. In ho ^-j^.'Pt" f/!"^3^ ""y . be found in vast variety. Thus, our blessed Lord is called a vine, a ?a,nb"a lion, &c.and men, according to their different dispositions,- are styled wolves, sheep, dogs, serpents, vipers, &e. 2 An Allegory may be regarded as a metaphor con- tinued; or, it is several metaphors so connected together in sense, as frequently to form a kind of parable or table It differs from a single metaphor, in the same manner that a cluster on the vine differs from a single grape. The following is a fine example of an allegory, taken from the 30tb iisalm; wherein the people of Israel are represented und?r the

FIGURES OF SPEECH. 187 image of a vine: "Thou hast brought a vine out of Egypt: thou hast cast out the heathen and planted it. Thou prepareds-t room before it; and didst cause it to take deep root, and it filled the land. The hills were covered with the shadow of it; and tlc boughs thereof were like the goodly cedars. She sent out her boughs in- to the sea, and her branches into the river. Why hast thou bro-ken down her hedges, so that all they who pass by the way do pluck her? The boar out of the wood doth waste it, and the wild beast of the field doth devour it. Return, we beseech thee, O God of Hosts, look down from heaven, and behold, and visit this vine!" 3. A Simile or Companison is when the resemblance between two objects, whether real or imaginary, is ex- pressed in form. Thus, we use a simile, when %ve say, "The actions of princes are like those great rivers, the course of which every one beholds, but their springs have been seen by few." " As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about his people." "The musick of Caryl was like the memory of joys that are past, pleasant and mournful to the soul." "The Assyrian came down, like the wolf on the fold, " And his cohorts were gleaming with purple and gold; " And the sheen of their spears was like stars on the sea, "When the blue wave rolls nightly on deep Gallilee." 4. A Metonymy is where the cause is put for the effectj\(^\) or the effect for the cause; the container ior the thing con tained; or the sign for the thing signified. When we say, "They read Milton," the cause is put for the effect; meaning "Milton's works." "Grey hairs should be res-pected;" here the effect is put for the cause; meaning by "grey hairs," oWa^<, which produces grey hairs. In the phrase, "The kettle boils," the container is substituted for the thing contained. " lie addressed the chair," that is, the person in the chair. 5. Synecdoche or Comprehemsiok. When the whole is put for a part, or a part for the whole; a genus for a spe-cies, or a species for a genus; in general, when an)' thing less, or any thing more, is put for the precise object meant, the figure is called a Synecdoche. Thus, " A fleet of twenty rat/,instead of, ships. "The horse is a nohleanimal;" " The rfo^ is a faithful creature;" here an in- dividual is put for the species. We sometimes use the "head" for the person, and the "waves" for the sea. 6. Personifk^ation or Prosopopoeia is that figure by which we attribute life and action to inanimate



objects. When we say, " the ground thirsts for rain," or, " the earth smiles with plenty; J' when we speak of " ambition's being restless,"" or, " a disease's being deceitful;"" such expressions show the facility, with which the mind can accommodate the properties of living creatures to things that are inanimate. m "ii 1

188 FIGURES OF SPEECH. The following are fine examples of this figure: " CheerM with the arateful sn.ell, old Ocean smiles:" "The wilderness and the .olitari place shall be 5.-iad for theia: and the desert shall rejoice and blossom a3 the rose." 7 An Apostrophe is an address to some person, either absent or dead, as if he were present and iistenrng to us. The address isfrequently made to a peisonified object; as, " Dealh is swallowed up in victory. O death! where is thy sting? Ograve! where is thy victory?" " Weep on the rocks of roaring winds, O maid of Inistore; bend thy fair head over the waves, thou fairer than the 'llost ot the hids when it moves in a sun-beam at noon, over the silence ot Morvon. 8 Antithesis. Comparison is founded on the resem-blance, antithesis, on the contrast or opposition, of two objects. Examples; "Ifyouwishto enrich a person, study not to m- nase his stores, but to diminish his rfesirfs." "Tho' deep, yet clear; tho' gentle, 3et not dull: "Strong, without rage; without o'erflowmg, lull. '> HypERBOLB OR EXAGGERATION consists in magnifying an'object beyond its natural bounds. " As swift as the ,vind; as white as the snow; as slow as a snail; and the like, are extravagant hyperboles." I saw their chief, tall as a rock of ice; his spear, the blasted fir; his shield, the rising moon; he sat on the shore, like a cloud of mist on the hill." 10 Vision is produced, when, in relating something that 13 past, we use the present tense, and describe it as actual-ly passing before our eves. 11 Interrogation. The literal use of interrogation, is to ask a question; but when men are strongly moved, whatever they would affirm or deny with great earnest- ness, they naturally put in the form of a question. Thus Balaam expressed himself to Balak:" The Lord is not man, that he should He, nor the son of man, that he should repent. Hath he said it! and shlll he not do it? Hath he spoken it? and shall he not make it good?" 12. Exclamations are the effect of strong emotion, such as surprise, admiration, joy, grief, and the like. " O that \ had in the wilderness a lodging-place of way-faring men'." 13 Irony is expressing ourselves in a manner contrary to our thoughts: not with a view to deceive, but to add force to our remarks. . . , . 14. Amplification or Climax consists in heightening all the circumstances of an object or action, which we de sire to place in a strong light. t

STNTAX. Corrections of the False Syntax arranged under the Rules and JVotest Rule 4. Frequent commission of sin hardens men in it. Great pains have been taken, &c. is seldom round. The sincerearf, &c. i's happy. What aval I, Sic_Disappointments WnA; the renewal of hopeg^tue*, &c. is without limit,/ia been conferred upon us. Thou caTist not heal but thou mayst do, &c. consists the happi- ness, &c. Who touchedsl, or didst touch Isaiah's hallowed lips with fire. JVofe 1. Aniwilt thou never be to Heaven resigned. And vho had great abilities, &c. JVo<e 2. 3re peace and honour, was controversy. Rule 7. rAejn. that you visited. ftt'm that was mentioned. he who preached repentance,



&c. thei/ who died. he who succeeded. Rule 8. Time and tide wait, Sic. remove mountains, are both uncertain s dweH with, &c. affect the mind, Src. What signify the council and care, &c. are now perished. Why are whiteness and coldness, &c. bind ttem continually, &c. render their pos- sessor, &c. Rule 9. b the same in idea; is in the porphyry; is remarka- ble. Sec, which moves merely as it is moved affects us, Ac. Man's happiness or misery is, in a great measure, &c. for it may be, &c. Rule 10. The nation powerful. The fleet was seen, &c. The ohurch has. Sic. is, or ought to be, the object. Sec. it is feeble. Rule II. My people do. Sic. The multitude eagerly pursue pleasure as their. Sic. were divided in their sentiments, and theij have referred, &c. The people rejoice give them sorrow. Rule 12. Homer's works are, &c. Asa's heart. James HarVs took. Note 1. It was the men, women, and children's lot, &c. or. It was the lot o/the men, women, and children. Peter, John, and An- drew's, &c. Note 2. This is Campbell the poet's production; or. The production of Campbell, Sic. The silk was purchased at Brown's the mer- cer and haberdasher. Note 4. The pupiVs composing, &c. ruWs being observed. of i\\f^ presidenVs neglecting to lay it before the council. Rule 13. Of Aij audience. nut it on Jacob. sprinkle <Ae)/j and thy shall, &c. o(his reputation. Note. You were blamed; you were worthy where were you? how far were you? Rule 14. VVho hast been, &c. tvho is the sixth tfeat has lost his life by this means. Who nil my sen=e conjinedst; or, didst confine. Nate. And broughtcst him forth out of Ur. Rule 16. They towhommuch is given, &c. withwhomyou asso- ciate, &c. whornI ere.\t\y respect, &c. ichom we ought to love, and to whom, &r Thuy whom conscience. Sic. With w?iom did you walk.' tvhom did you sec? To whom did you give the book ' Is

'mi 190 KE^ TO THE EXERCISES^ Rule 17. Who gave John those Books? IVe. him viho livee in Pearl street. My brother anil he. She and /. Rule 18: JVofc 2. Thirty ions. twenty/eet. one hundred/a(ft- oms. JVofe 6. He bought a pair of new shoes, piece of elegant furni- ture, pair oifine horses, tract of poor land. M'ote 7. Are still more difficult to be comprehended, most dovbt-ful, or precarious way, &c. This model comes nearer perfection than OHI/ I. Rule 19. ¡Voie. That sort; these two hours. TAM kind, &c. He saw onepfrson, or more than one, enter the garden. JVofe 2. Better than/nmseZ/.-is so small; /lis station may be, is bound by the laws. J^ole 3. On each side, &c. took each his censer. Rule 20. IVfiom did they, &c. yb who were dead, &c. They whom, opulence, whom luxury, &c. Him and them we know, &c. Her that is negligent, .<:c.----my brother and me, &c.)f7io))i did they send, &c. Them whom he, &c. Rule 21. Itis/. If I were Ae. it is 7ie indeed. Whom do you, &c. Who do men say, &c. and who say ye, kc. whom do you imagine it to have been? it was/; but you knew that it was Rule 25. Bid him come. ilurst not rfo it. Hear him read, &c. makes us approve and reject. Sec. better to live than to outlive,&c. Rule25: JVote. The taking o/pains: or, witliouttaking pains,&c. The changing o/times, the removing and setting up o/kings. Rule 28:"¡Vofe 'J. He did me, I had written, he came home. befallen my cousin, he would have gone. already rwen. is 6e- gun. is spoken. would have written. had they tcritten, &c. Rule 29; Vo(e 1. It can not, therefore, be, ic he was not often pleasing. should netcf be separated. We may live happily, &c. Rule 30 .,Vo(e. 1 don't know ani/MiHg; or, Umoic



nothing, &c. I did not see any body; or, 1 saw nobody, &c. Nothing ei-er affects her. nrf take no shape or semblance, fcc.-There ran be nothing, &:c. Keittver precept nor discipline is so forcible as example. Rule 31. For himself, among themselves. with whomhe is, &c. With whom did, Sic. From whom did you receive instruction"! Rule 33. My brother and he, &c. You and /, &c. Ke and 1 John and he, &Lc. Between you and ie, &c. RfjLE 34. And entreat me, &c. and acting differently, &c. JVote 1. But/ie may return bat he will write no more. J^'ote I. Unless it rain. If he acfuiVe liches, i;c. Rule 35. Than /. as well as /, than they. but Ac. but he and / but them who had gone astray. Promiscvous examples. Him who is from eternity. Sec. depends all the happiness, which exists. Sec. The enemies whom, &c. le it lothewhom, you requested? Though great/mtie been, sincerely acknowledsfe. There was, in the metropolis. exercising our inemo- Tiei'. V}as consumed.- Affluence may give,--but it will not. of this worhl often choke. CTem that honour; and <Aci/that despise. I intemled to call last week- The fields look/re.'iA and gay. wry neatly, finely woven paper. where I saw John Q. Adams, him who. ^^lke ihefirst tv!0,--last J/iree.-thirty feet high a union, a hy- pr',-:.vi(i.-I hav" seea him to whom you wrote, he would have come back, m'relumed., understands the nature, be re^'ecfs. If tho'>

FIGURES OF SPEECH. 191 \ iludi/, thou wilt become. is not properly attended to. He knew, tliereiore, {, oliave done it, than the title, wry independently, duti to do, luy friend"s entering, is the best specimen, or, it comes nearer perfection than any, &c. blow thtm, will go, &c. Each, oftliose two authors has his merit. Reason's whole, lie in. strikes the mind, than it the parts had been adjusted, with perfect symmetry, PUNCTUATION, COMMA, Corrections of the Exercises in Punctuation. RULE 1. Idleness is the great fomenter of all corruptions in the jiuin in heart. The friend oi order has uiiide half his way to virtue. All tinery is a sign of littleness. RULE 2. The indulgence of a harsh disposition, is the intro- duction to future misery. To be totally indifferent to praise or censure, is a real defect in character. The intermixture of evil in human society, serves to exercise the suffering graces and virtues of the good. RULES. Charity, like the sun, brightens all its objects. Gentle- ness is, in truth, the great avenue to mutual enjoyment. You, too, have your failings. Humility and knowledge, with poor apparel, excel pride and ignorance, under costly attire. The best men often experience disappointments. Advice should be seasonablj admin- istered. No assumed behaviour can always hide the real character. 'RULE 4. Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all genera- tions. Continue, my dear child, to make virtue thy chief study. Canst thou expect, thou betrayer of innocence, to escape the hand of vengeance.' Death, the kiugof terrours, chose a prime minister. Hope, the balm of life, soothes us under every misfortune. Confu-cius, the great Chinese philosopher, was eminently good, as well as wise. The patriarch Joseph is an illustrious example of true piety. RULE 5. Peace of mind being secured, we may smile at misfor- tune. To enjoy present pleasure, he sacrificed his future ease and reputation. His talents, formed for great enterprises, could not fail of rendering him conspicuous. TUe path of piety and virtue, pur- sued with a firm and constant spirit, will assuredly lead to happi- ness. All mankind compose one family, assembled



under the eye of one common Father. RULE 6. We have no reason to complain of the lot of man, nor- of the mutability of the world. Sensuality contaminates the body, depresses the understanding, deadens the moral feelings of the heart, and degrades man from his rank in creation. Self conceit, presumption, and obstinacy, blast the prospects of many a youth. He is alternately supported by his father, his uncle, and his elder brother. The man of virtue and honour, will be trust- ed, relied upon, and esteemed. Conscious guilt renders one mean- pirited, timorous, and base. An upright mind will never be at a ss to discern what is just and true, lovely, honest, and ofgood re rt. Habits of reading, writing, and thinking, are the indispen- qualifications of a good student. The great business of li' employed in doingjustly, loving mercy, and walking hu ^M

\r^ wm -\ 192 KEY TO THE EXERCISES. ? , vith our Creator. To live soberly, righteously, and piously, com- nrehends the whole of our duty. .u 'in our health, life, possessions, connexions, pleasures, there are nauses of .leray imperceptibly working. Deliberate slowly, exe-cute promptly Au iile, trifl'ing society, .s near akm t<.-ch as .s corru^.ting. ^This unhappy person had been seriously, affection- ately admonished, but in vain. . , .V 1J TKo RULE 7. How much better it is to get wisdom than gold. The friendships of the world can exist no longer than interest cemen them Eat what is set before you. They who excite envy, wi e, luv incur censure. A man who is of a detracting spir.t, w. 1 Ti[^]sconstrue the most innocent words that can be put together. Many of the evils which occasion our complaints of the world, are ""rhe'genTmSk is like the smooth stream, which reflects every ohiec? in it3-jusU,roportion, and in its fairest colours InHhat Scted ciiilil^ which springs from a gentle mmd, there is an "nc^parable charm. The Lord, whom 1 serve, is eternal. This, is the man we saw yesterday. i, j _ RULE 8. Idleness brings forward and nourishes many bad pas, ,ions True friendship will, at all times, avoid a rough or careless beh.; io.r Health and pe'ace, a moderate fortune, and a few Mends sum up all the undoubted articles of temporal felicity. Truth sfkiC and artless, simple and sincere, uniloria and con i^ tent Intemperance destroys the strength of our bodies, and the "RULE9!"Aia'^companion, he was se^re and satirical; a, a friend, captious and dm,<rerous. If the s#ing put forth no b psy; m"n summer there will be no beauty, and in autumn no frui., So if yo-Uhbe trifled away without improvement, manhood will '^'^^ULrio"Thc"beUev:I^;eta" He did not know that 1 wa^ ihe man I^new she was still alive. The greatest misery s to be condemned by our own hearts. The greatest misery thft- we can e.\dui'e, is, to be condemned by our own hearts. SEMICOLON. RUI, E 1. The path of truth is a plain and safe path; .-that < fahihooM is a perplexing maze. Heaven is the region of gentle nessand fiendhip; hell, of fierceness and animosity As there: ,.1H1 hanniness which God perceives to be no other than d. L'^drifeTas there are worldr, honours, which, in his ^stima- iroCare a reVroach; so, there is a worldly wisdom, which, in h.s. sight, is foolishness. .,. / But all subsists by elemental strife; And passions are the elements of life. COLON. RULE 1. The three great enemies to tranquillity, "e vice, e; nefstition. and idleTiessT



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